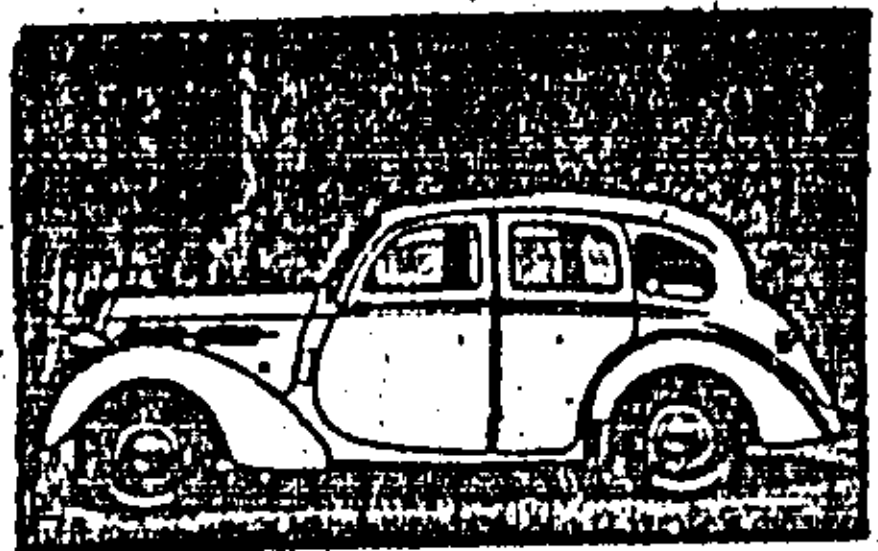


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SLOVAKIA NOW UNDER REICH

CHUST FALLS TO HUNGARIANS

FOLLOWING AN EXCHANGE OF TELEGRAMS BETWEEN HERR HITLER AND THE PRESIDENT OF SLOVAKIA, THE LATTER COUNTRY HAS BEEN PLACED UNDER THE PROTECTION OF THE REICH. A "REUTER" MESSAGE REPORTED THIS MORNING.

German troops are now advancing into the country.

Chust, capital of Ruthenia, was occupied by Hungarian troops at 7 p.m. yesterday (3 a.m. to-day H.K.T.)

Only sporadic resistance was encountered by the invaders, and there was no organised opposition to the occupation of the city.

The chief difficulties encountered by the Hungarians, states "Reuter", were weather and the lack of roads.

A large number of Czech troops have taken refuge in Rumania.

According to a Berlin message from the same Agency, the Ruthenian Government has sent a telegram to Great Britain, France, Italy and Germany, the four signatories to the Munich Agreement, appealing for their aid in maintaining the independence of the new Republic.

Further west, German troops have practically completed the occupation of Bohemia.

There have been no friction and no incidents. Czech troops, for the present, are confined to their barracks.

It is stated that the transfer of the military commands took place in a most correct and chivalrous manner.

"Occupied Area Belongs To Greater Reich"

PRAGUE, Mar. 16.

HERR JOACHIM VON RIBBENTROP, the Reich Foreign Minister, to-day broadcast over all German and Czech radio stations, the following proclamation issued by Herr Adolf Hitler:

"For 1,000 years the lands of Bohemia and Moravia belonged to the sphere of the German nation.

"Violence, coupled with a lack of understanding, arbitrarily tore from their ancient and historic environment, and included them in the artificial Czechoslovak State, with the result that a centre of permanent unrest was created.

"The danger increased every year that this region might again—as had already once been the case in the past—become a terrain of menace to European peace, since the Czechoslovak Government had not succeeded in organizing co-operation of the artificially united groups, and had therefore failed to establish the preservation of their common State.

INCAPACITY TO LIVE

"The Czechoslovak State, therefore, demonstrated its own inherent incapacity to live, and has now succumbed to an inevitable dissolution. The German Reich, however, cannot tolerate lasting disturbances in a region which is so vitally important alike for its own tranquility and security, and for the general welfare and peace.

"As a Power, which, both for historical and geographical reasons is most greatly interested and affected, Germany would, sooner or later, have had to bear the direct consequences.

"Hence, it is but conformable with the law of self-preservation that the German Reich should be determined to intervene in order to restore the foundations of reasonable

conditions in Central Europe, and to take measures accordingly.

REICH ALONE CAPABLE

"In the course of its 1,000 years of history, it has been proved that the German Reich is alone capable of solving this problem by reason alike of strength and of the peculiar qualities of the German people.

"Inspired by the wish to serve the real interests of the peoples and inhabitants of this region, of assuring the maintenance of the national characteristics of the German and Czech peoples, and of contributing to peace and social welfare of all, I therefore, in the name of the German Reich, promulgate herewith the following enactments:

BELONGS TO REICH

"Article 1: That the part of the territory of the former Czechoslovak Republic occupied by German troops in March, 1939 belongs henceforth to the territory of the Greater German Reich, under the protection of which it is placed as the 'Protectorate of Bohemia and Moravia.' In a measure that the defence of the Reich may demand it, the Fuehrer will make other arrangements for individual districts.

"Article 2: German inhabitants of the protectorate will become German nationals and citizens of the Reich conformably with the provisions of the Reich Law of September 18, 1938. Articles of that Law relating to the protection of German blood and German honour will consequently apply also to them, and they will be subject to the jurisdiction of the Reich courts.

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Magna Carta Going to U.S. In Fireproof Glass Case

A SPECIAL frame of bronze and fireproof glass is being prepared to contain Lincoln Cathedral's original of Magna Carta, to be shipped to New York as a leading exhibit at the World's Fair.

The Lincoln Magna Carta is one of the four originals in existence. Salisbury Cathedral has one; the other two, in the British Museum, may not be taken out of the country.

JAPAN'S Government has instructed the Japanese Ambassador in Moscow to press the Soviet for an immediate settlement of the Sakhalin fishing dispute. He was ordered to add that unless the Soviet reconsiders the auction held at Vladivostok on Wednesday, Japan will be forced to take "unreserved and appropriate measures" to end the deadlock.



The Story Behind It

Japanese fishermen began fishing in Russian territorial waters around Sakhalin 180 years ago.

They had no right there, but at that time there were no Russian fishermen in those parts, and no objection was taken to their activities.

At the beginning of last century, however, a Russian fishing industry was developed and the first of a long series of conventions was concluded with Japan under which the latter country was granted certain fishing rights.

1928 Pact

These conventions were renewed until the Bolshevik Government of 1917, which was not recognised by Japan, but then the Japanese fishermen continued to fish in Russian waters, but Moscow was too much occupied to take any action or even to worry much.

When Japan recognised the Soviet Government in 1925, negotiations for a new convention were begun and the agreement was concluded in 1928. It expired in May, 1938, was renewed for two periods of one year each.

Meanwhile the Soviet fishing industry had assumed considerable proportions and relations between the two countries had become strained.

Selling Rights

Last year Japan was unable to secure a renewal of the convention, and it was only after great diplomatic effort that permission was granted for the Japanese to fish until the end of the season.

That permission has now expired and the Soviet Government auctioned on March 15, Japan did not participate in the auction.

Ruthenian Occupation Completed

BUDAPEST, Mar. 16.

M. TELEKI announced in Parliament to-day that the Hungarians were in complete occupation of Ruthenia.

He said that Ruthenia would be given "extensive administrative autonomy" under which only the army and finance would be centralised with Hungary.

A Bratislava report says that a Ukrainian spokesman told "United Press" that according to reliable information, the Hungarians occupied Chust at 11 a.m. (7 a.m. H.K.T.).

He added that hundreds had been killed and wounded in the fighting.

VOLOSINE SEEKS REFUGE

Sighet, Rumania, Mar. 16.
M. Volosine, the Ruthenian Premier, who has taken refuge here, was accompanied by M. Stefani, Minister of Culture.

Strings of Czech military lorries, estimated to contain 50 officers and 2,000 men, their wives and families, and many household goods, crossed the frontier.

In addition, 2,000 Czech Jews and Ruthenians sought refuge here.

Before the Hungarian troops entered Chust, all Czech and Ruthenian officials fled.

The occupation of Ruthenia is not yet complete, and areas not yet stated to be in the Hungarians' hands are said to be in a state of complete confusion.

One high Reich military official, one of many who have taken refuge here, told "Reuter" that lightning broke out in Chust after receipt of the Hungarian ultimatum.

Members of the young Ukrainian militia, principally composed of youths, demanded the army's weapons and equipment. In the end the officers gave over practically everything, and left for Sighet.

In the meantime, the Ukrainians were in the streets with rifles, vainly trying to hold the province.

The officer added that the Ukrainians would welcome Germans, but they were determined to fight the Hungarians, but they had not the slightest chance.—Reuter.

HACHA SEES HITLER

Prague, Mar. 16.
Herr Hitler to-day received President Hacha at Fradachin Castle. The Czech President was received with military honours.

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NAZIS SUPREME IN NEWEST CAPITAL

STATESMEN AND DIPLOMATS all over Europe to-day have their eyes on Chust. Chust is the capital of Ruthenia (now known as Carpatho-Ukraine), one of the three semi-autonomous provinces of Czechoslovakia divided up this week.

Carpatho-Ukraine's 750,000 inhabitants saw themselves as the spearhead of a nationalist movement by which an Ukrainian State would be set up embracing the 30,000,000 Ukrainians in the U.S.S.R. and the millions in Poland.

Hitler encouraged them, for the detachment of the Soviet Ukraine has long been one of his aims. But Hungary, which does not desire a Ukrainian Republic on her frontier, appears to have forestalled Hitler by marching into Chust. Below a special correspondent exclusively tells of conditions in Chust just before the Hungarian occupation yesterday.

ALL NEWS IS CENSORED

(By a Correspondent)

CHUST, Mar. 16.
HEADQUARTERS of a movement which will in the next few years affect 45 million Ukrainians, Chust, capital of Carpatho-Ukraine, is to-day a hotbed of intrigue, espionage, and counter-espionage, with Germany playing the leading role.

I have just made a visit of investigation to this straggling, insanitary, muddy little town of 25,000 people, and it is significant of conditions there that it is almost impossible to tell the truth about Carpatho-Ukraine while within its frontiers.

Every non-German foreigner appears to be automatically regarded by the authorities as hostile and suspicious.

As in Germany there is officially no censorship of outgoing news, but no journalist can send a telegram or make a telephone call without its contents being known to the Government.

A British resident was recently summoned to the police headquarters to answer an entirely trumped-up accusation of "having consorted with a Polish agent," during a visit to a distant part of the country on the previous day.

Political activity in Chust is concentrated in the Government Building, as the former municipal offices are now called in the larger of the town's two hotels.

The latter is also the headquarters of the Sitch, the Ukrainian Storm Troops.

The hotel manager is a German-speaking Ukrainian who, until a few years ago, had lived in Brno, Moravia.

Every night at the hotel a table with the Swastika flag is reserved for German residents and visitors. Prominent among them is the local correspondent of the "Volksischer Beobachter." He appears to be regarded as an official representative of the Reich.

TORCH PARADE

On the night before the recent elections, first under the autonomous regime, a crowd of about 1,000 villagers stood about in the mud for a couple of hours listening to gramophone records of Ukrainian music amplified through loud speakers installed on a balcony of the Sitch headquarters.

Speeches were made by the Propaganda Chief, M. Kominsky, and by M. Voron, the General Secretary of the Ukrainian National Union, the only political party.

Besides the speeches and music, a bonfire was lit on a local hilltop, the people were ordered to hang out blue and yellow Ukrainian flags, and lighted candles were placed in the windows and there was even to have been a torchlight procession. A snowfall, however, made it necessary for the procession to go without its torches.

Imitation of the Nazis by the members of the Sitch, includes the use of the raised right arm for saluting and a greeting "Slava Ukrainy" which, translated, is roughly "Hell the Ukraine."

SIMPLE PEASANTS

The Sitch and the Ukrainian National Union have also sent a telegram to Hitler stating that they consider themselves with the anti-Comintern Pact.

German influence is such that it is almost impossible to interview a Ukrainian Minister or higher official without a Nazi agent being present at the meeting.

So superstitious are these simple-minded peasants that M. Voron created a profound impression on election eve by his statement that those who voted "No" would be traitors, and that when they died the earth would reject them from their graves.

This, apparently, is one of the greatest curses which can befall a Ukrainian.



BRITAIN MAY RECALL ENVOY FROM BERLIN

LONDON, Mar. 16.

MR. NEVILLE CHAMBERLAIN told questioners in the House of Commons to-day that he was considering recalling Sir Neville Henderson, the British Ambassador to Berlin, in order to report on the Central European situation.

He said that he had not received any official German communication of official confirmation of Hitler's proclamation.

He added that he had not protested against the invasion of Czechoslovakia.

Previously Britain had consulted France with regard to a common front, and had sharply told Germany that the dissolution of Czechoslovakia would be a blow to European hopes of stability and peace.

Meanwhile, in the House of Commons, Mr. Geoffrey Shakespeare, Secretary to the Admiralty, issued an obvious warning to the totalitarian countries when he said that 200 warships were in the process of construction, and that 60 of them would be completed this year.

Mr. Shakespeare said that Britain was determined to maintain naval superiority, and he added that they were adding two destroyer flotillas and 20 escort vessels of a new type to offset the Nazis' submarines.

Mr. Shakespeare said: "I believe the fleet is strong, that it can confidently meet any challenge of battle with any possible combination of foes."

UNITED PRESS.

QUESTION UNDER CONSIDERATION

LONDON, Mar. 16.
In the House of Commons to-day, Mr. Neville Chamberlain said that the question whether the British Ambassador to Berlin should be asked to return in order to report was now under consideration.—Reuter.

ANGLO-FRENCH CO-OPERATION

Paris, Mar. 16.
M. Daladier to-day hastily conferred with his Ministers on the question whether he should go to London to exchange political and military views, and to evolve a practical line in Anglo-French policy against further totalitarian expansion.—United Press.

BRITAIN'S REACTIONS

LONDON, Mar. 16.
It is impossible to state anything definitely at present concerning the British attitude towards recognition of Germany's latest annexation, writes a diplomatic observer.

The precise status of the new Czechoslovak provinces is still obscure, and it must be emphasised that there is no analogy between the union with Austria, and the seizure of the Czechoslovak territories.

The Austrian Federal Chancellor Dr. Seydewitz invited Germany to come to Austria's assistance, but not even the German Foreign Office has suggested that Reich troops had entered Czechoslovakia as the urgent request of the Czech President.

BREACH OF COVENANT

Moreover, Mr. Chamberlain has already emphasised that Britain regards this annexation as a breach of the Munich covenant.

The British attitude also has an important bearing on the gold and foreign currencies belonging to the former Czechoslovak State now in the Bank of England.

They are at present being retained at the Bank by order of the British Government.

It is suggested that they may constitute a valuable bargaining asset when the Government negotiates with Germany for settlement of the Czechoslovak debts to British banks, and it is hoped that a more satisfactory solution for creditors

HONGKONG DANGER

'Evacuate Or Defend' Says Opposition

LONDON, Mar. 16.

Mr. A. V. Alexander, former First Lord of the Admiralty in the Labour Government, indicated that the Labour Party will not oppose the naval estimates when he spoke in the House of Commons to-day, following Mr. Geoffrey Shakespeare's speech.

He said that the Navy had "taken account of the possibility of attack from three quarters, probably simultaneously, by an axis of anti-Comintern Powers, comprising Poland, Germany, Italy and Japan."

The Navy, he said, had always been strong in China, but to-day it has been practically ordered off by Japan.

"No British warship is allowed up the Yangtze."

"The naval base of Hongkong is surrounded by the invasion of South China."

In view of the crisis launched in Europe on two occasions in the last few months, and the possibility of another crisis at any time, we should decide whether to defend or evacuate Hongkong.

"We must also decide what must be the general basis of our Far Eastern strategy under these circumstances."—United Press.

LATEST

AMBASSADORS RECALLED

"UNITED PRESS" REPORTS AT 10.45 A.M. THAT IT IS RELIABLY LEARNED THAT BRITAIN AND FRANCE ARE RECALLING AMBASSADORS FROM BERLIN.

Pogrom Feared

Jewish pogrom feared throughout new German province "Trans-Ocean" reports, extremely strong anti-Jew feeling prevailing. Czech fascists are staging anti-Jew demonstrations.

Slovak Sensation

News that Slovakia has now been placed "under German protection" has provided new sensational in Paris, says "Trans-Ocean." Newspapers believe Germany will also occupy the part of Czechoslovakia. Commander of Hlinka Guards in Slovakia has already ordered his men to place themselves under the command of German military authorities, and opinion is expressed that Slovakia will be given similar status as Czeckia.

Occupied Completed

The German High Command reports that the occupation of Bohemia and Moravia was completed yesterday evening.

Troops of Army Group III and Army Group V have, generally speaking, reached their final objectives.

See Back Page For
Further Late News

WHEN A SCOTSMAN MARRIES AN ENGLISH GIRL

MR. ANSTRUTHER-GRAY, Tory M.P. for North Lanark, a Scotsman and a Fifer who married an English girl (the granddaughter of the fourth Earl of Durham), got leave in the House of Commons recently to proceed with a Bill which will make Scottish-English marriages easier.

He complained that under existing law, if a Scotsman wants to marry an English girl he cannot just give seven days' notice to the registrar as the English boy can do who wants to marry an English girl.

The Scotsman who, like Bonnie Leslie, carries his conquest over the Border must reside for fifteen days in England before being able to give seven days' notice to the English registrar. It therefore requires his presence on English soil for twenty-three days before he can be married.

"Twenty-three clear days' holiday is not easily obtainable for working people," said Mr. Anstruther-Gray. "I am sure these young folk would sooner spend a twenty-three days' holiday honeymooning than in qualifying for marriage."

There was cheerful agreement among Scotsmen and Englishmen that marriage between the two countries should be encouraged.

'EUGENICALLY GOOD'

Mr. Hamilton Kerr (Cons., Oldham) said the Bill was as good as a second Act of Union (the Act of Union, 1707, united the Parliaments of England and Scotland).

Sir H. Morris-Jones (Lib. Nat., Denbigh), who is a doctor, said that, eugenically, the marriage between English and Scots was a very good combination.

Mr. Mathers (Soc., Llanelli) said he was all in favour of such marriages. He recalled that the Marquis of Clydesdale married a Percy, putting an end to the traditional feud between the houses of Hamilton and Northumberland.

"His brother Lord David Douglas-Hamilton," Mr. Mathers continued, "captured the popular and picturesque Brunella (Stacy) who popularised physical fitness and beauty among her perspiring sisters."

Mr. Reid, Solicitor-General for Scotland, welcomed the Bill as evidence that the two countries seek closer unity social as well as political.

'Wed' 3 Years, Not A Wife

AFTER having been "married" for more than three years a girl of 19 has found that she is not, in law, a wife.

She is Miss Mary Moore, of Hall-lane, South Ockendon, near Grays, Essex.

At Grays Police Court recently she asked for an affiliation order against Stanley Frederick John Smith, aged 22, of Morham-street, Chelmsford, with whom she went through the "marriage" ceremony.

Miss Moore said that when she tried to get a separation from her "husband" recently it was discovered she was only 15 when she "married"; the marriage was, therefore, invalid.

Smith, who admitted paternity, offered to pay 5s. a week out of his earnings of 34s., but the magistrates made an order for 4s.

Talking Dislocates Jaw

Pasadena, Cal.

Pasadena's Community Playhouse had a demonstration of its success seldom accorded to even the most famous theatres of the world. Miss Elda McEwen, member of the box office staff, answered the questions of so many ticket buyers and telephone callers that she dislocated her jaw.

Map In 3d. Book May Find Him Buried Treasure

BECAUSE of a threepenny book bought from a bookstall in the Caledonian Market, London, a research engineer is throwing up his job and sinking his £600 life savings in an attempt to find buried treasure worth millions of pounds.

Recently Mr. Victor Durmet, thirty, of Fortis-green, Finchley, N. 2, was touring the stalls of the Caledonian Market searching for first editions—his hobby.

He bought an old book for 3d. When he got it home a faded map of the Corn Islands fell out from between the leaves.

On the map was a treasure box drawn in faded ink, an arrow and compass instructions.

Mr. Durmet had the map examined by the British Museum, who told him it was over 100 years old.

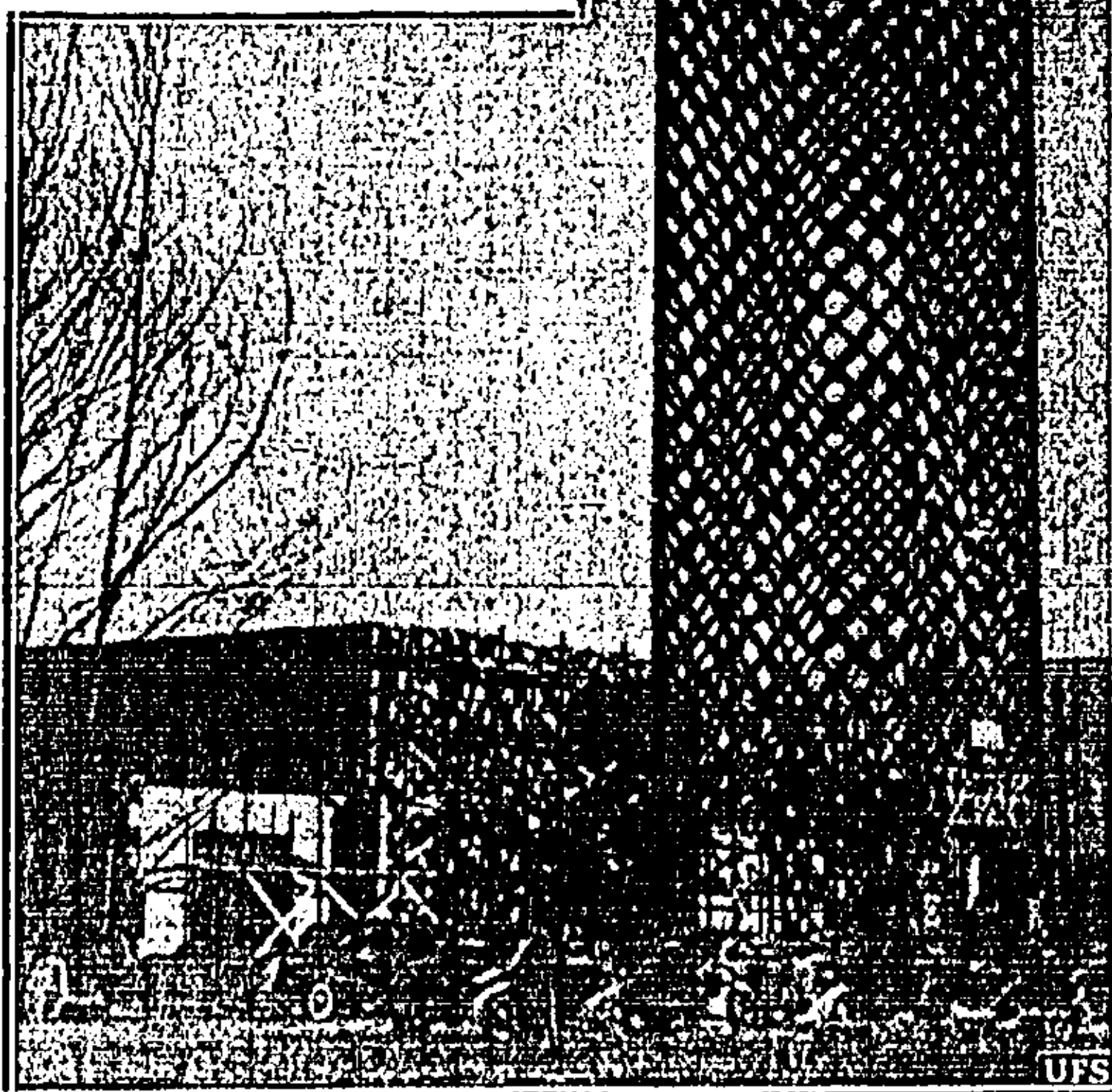
Now Mr. Durmet says he is confident that the map is the original map showing the spot where the much-sought-after Lima, Peru, treasure was buried by an English sea captain in 1821.

Mr. Durmet said: "One history of the Lima treasure says that it was taken by a British sea captain, Captain Thompson, and buried on an island in the Pacific."

This account adds that Captain Thompson died in a London hospital, but before he died he wrote the directions where the treasure was buried on a map.

That map was afterwards lost. Two of Mr. Durmet's friends, a thirty-year-old naturalist and a fifty-five-year-old taxidermist, have decided to join him on his adventure. He plans to set out shortly.

Interesting view of the steel network in the tower of the Polish government Pavilion, now nearing completion at the New York World's Fair. Exhibits in the building will include Poland's agricultural, manufacturing and other products. All exhibits for the Pavilion arrived on the Polish liner Batory recently.



Pilots Alleged To Have Drunk On Duty

A FORMER managing director of Western Airways, Ltd., Mr. Norman Edgar, went into the witness-box at Weston-super-Mare Police Court recently and declared that:

Prominent Weston council officials were concerned with pilots in drinking out of hours at Weston-super-Mare's airport and that regulations forbidding pilots on duty to drink were "flagrantly and frequently broken."

A crowded court heard the allegations made when Mr. Edgar opposed an application by the Borough Council at the annual licensing session for renewal of the drinking licence at the airport.

Mr. Edgar, in evidence, declared that the drinking was led by his joint director, over whom he had no control.

This director, he alleged, took pilots into the bar during the afternoon and they were actually under the influence of drink, though not drunk, when they got into service planes containing passengers.

Mr. L. G. Watson, Town Clerk, and Mr. H. A. Brown, the Borough Surveyor, had also been drinking there out of hours, he added.

"DRASTIC STEPS"

Mr. Cyril Williams (for Western Airways, Limited), referring to an impending High Court action by Mr. Edgar against the company for wrongful dismissal, said he thought a licensing case should not be used as a dress rehearsal for litigation which was pending.

Mr. H. Collins (for the Council) said that in June, 1938, a change in the management took place. Later, Mr. Edgar and other persons who had been with the old company severed their connection.

The new management had taken drastic steps to rectify the allegations. Pilots charged with drinking were dismissed and those in cases of doubt were transferred to other aerodromes.

The hearing was adjourned.

GREETING CARDS REUSED

NEWTON, Mass. Boston College students saved greeting cards received during the Christmas holidays and turned them over to the Rev. Richard L. Rooney, S.J., student counselor, for missionary work. Jesuit missionaries assigned to Jamaica, British West Indies, distribute the cards among natives.

Trade Unions In Hongkong

A question was asked in the House of Commons recently with regard to trade unions in Hongkong.

Mr. Sorensen asked the Secretary of State for the Colonies whether trade unions in Hongkong are freely permitted to function; how many industrial disputes have taken place during the last 12 months; and whether any trade unions have been suppressed by the local government?

Mr. A. Macdonald: The answer to the first part of the question is in the affirmative. There have been about eight industrial disputes in Hongkong in the last 12 months. These were of a minor nature, and in each case an amicable settlement was reached through the Secretary of Chinese Affairs.

No bona fide trade union has been suppressed, but certain guilds and associations which professed to be trade unions have from time to time been declared unlawful under the Societies Ordinance of 1920, mainly on account of terrorist and political activities. The last of such suppressions took place more than 12 months ago.



Viviane Allenby, cousin of Britain's famed General Allenby, who captured Jerusalem at end of World War, later Egyptian high commissioner, shown in Chicago where she became a nurse-maid. She left a nursing home in New York after a reprimand and got another job.

His Worship's Topper

CLOTHES may or may not make the man, but they certainly go a long way towards making a Mayor.

At least, so thinks Alderman A. B. C. Kempe, the first Mayor of Ramsgate to wear a top hat for every occasion.

From the top of his shining topper to the tips of his shining boots, the Mayor was what the fashion books call "correct" when a reporter called to see him.

Striped trousers with knife-edge crease. Morning coat fitting without a wrinkle. Gloves in one hand. Rolled umbrella on other arm. Absolutely correct.

"They've nicknamed me Jack Buchanan," said the Mayor, glancing in the mirror to see that the topper was sitting at just the right angle. "Mind you, don't run away with the idea that I wear these clothes because they're comfortable."

"In fact, I sometimes wonder who invented starched collars."

The Mayor admitted that his dress is not popular with everybody. "A mayor is the representative of the King, is he not? He should behave in a manner fitting the dignity of his office; isn't that right?"

"Well, then, how can he look dignified unless he dresses for the part?"

"I mean to be a good mayor, even if I get tangled in the process."

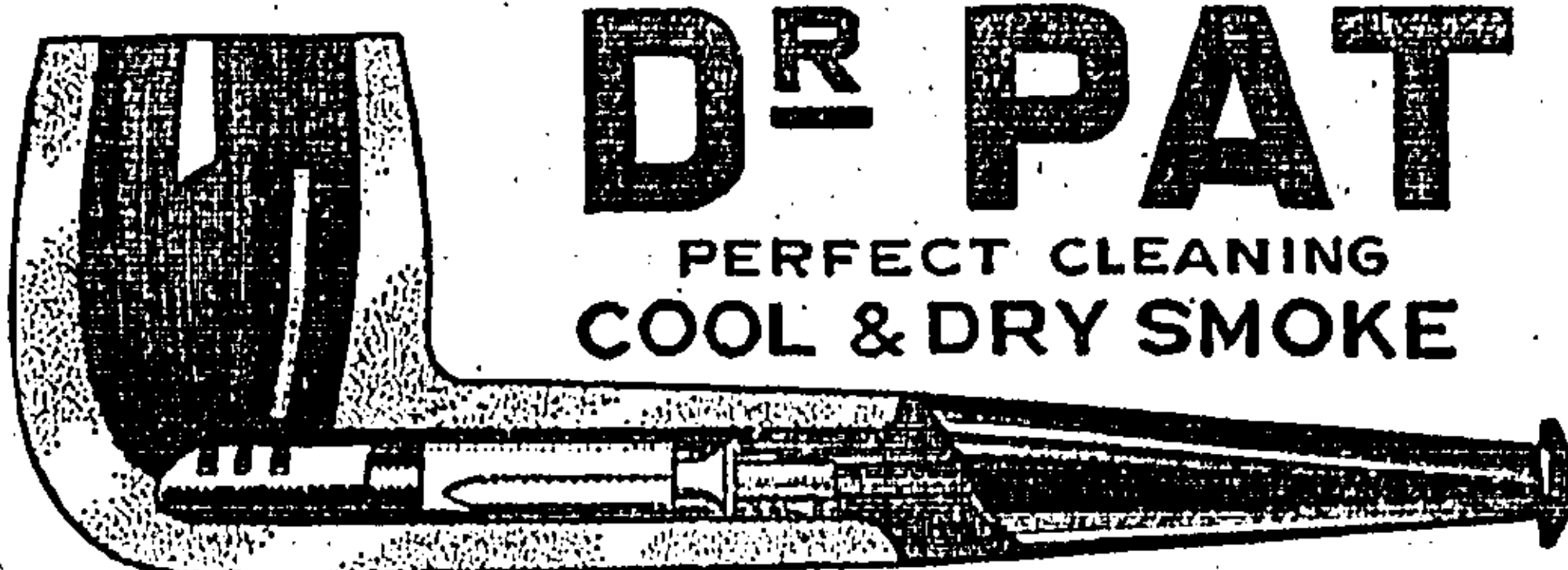
And he ran his finger round the inside of his collar.

Iron Lung Saves Life

MRS. LILIAN COWSILL, aged 29, of John-street, Little Lever, Bolton, owes her life to an iron lung.

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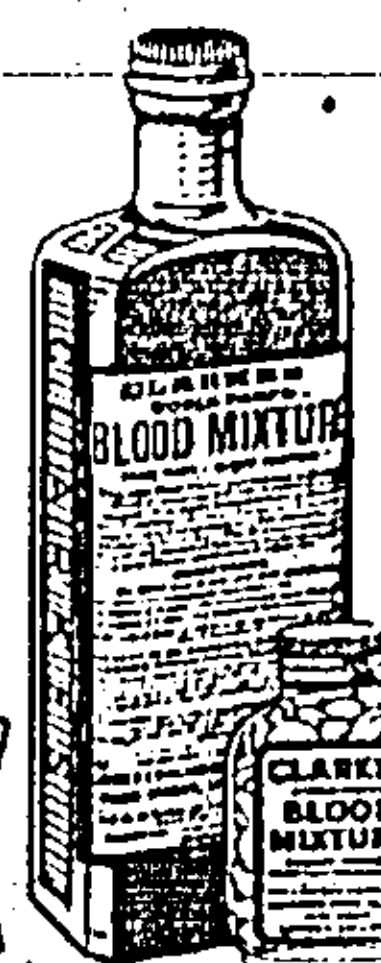
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EXPERTS WANT STEEL AIR RAID SHELTERS FOR ALL

THE three experts appointed by Sir John Anderson, Minister for Civilian Defence, to consider the problem of air-raid shelters recommended recently that:

Every home in a vulnerable area should have a shelter; Shelters should be distributed before an emergency; They should be placed near to houses, but not inside them; There should be immediate legislation to ensure that no new residential building of whatever size or class is erected without a shelter; People who provide shelters should not be penalised by increased taxes or rates. The experts are:

"WITH UTMOST SPEED"
Sir Henry Japp, chief engineer and works director for Messrs. John Mowlem and Co., Ltd., civil engineering contractors. He was a member of the British War Mission to the United States, and until 1919 Director in Charge of Production.

Mr. B. L. Hurst, senior partner in the firm of B. L. Hurst and Peirce, civil engineers, who built Shell-Mex House.

Mr. David Anderson, partner in the firm of Mott, Hay and Anderson, the consultants who planned and supervised the building of the tunnel—Purfleet tunnel beneath the Thames. The committee press for the construction "to the utmost extent, and at the utmost possible speed" of the following forms of shelters:

Pressed and rolled sectional shelters;
Dropped basements;
"Pill-boxes";
Permanently strengthened lower floors of blocks of flats and tenements;
Permanently strengthened basements of shops, offices, and large houses; and
Communal shelters and trenches.

"EVACUATE GROUND FLOOR"
The policy suggested for tenement flats is evacuation of one or all of the ground floor flats and the strengthening and adaptation in peace time of the portions evacuated.

There should also be built permanent covered trenches in communication with the main buildings and subsidiary buildings with definite protective value which would have peace-time use as playgrounds or store rooms.

For the average house the committee recommend a sectional steel device not less than 6ft. by 4ft. 6in. in plan and not less than 4ft. high. They emphasise the danger of issuing shelters which could only be entered by crawling, and in which only a crouching or recumbent attitude is possible.

The shelters could not be distributed quickly because of their weight (6cwt. to 7cwt.), but they could be mass-produced, and the design could be confined to two or three types, to enable many firms quickly to adapt their plant for production.

"Definitely opposing" the placing of these shelters within houses, the committee state: "Assuming, as seems most likely, that an attack with high explosive bombs will be accom-



From oil workers in California to society leaders in Massachusetts, Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt, one of the most active women ever in the White House, was given a strong vote of approval for the way she has occupied the position of First Lady, according to a nation-wide survey by the American Institute of Public Opinion. Survey showed she is more popular with women than with men.

Here are some of her activities: Top, left to right: Dancing in the New Deal sponsored community at Arthur Dale, W. Va.; as an airplane passenger; in the horse show at Fort Meyer, Va. Centre, opens infantile paralysis campaign; Mrs. Roosevelt herself, given degree at John Marshall College of Law, Baltimore, declares daily column to Miss Malvina Thompson, her companion and secretary; visits blind, craft shop, New York.

panied by incendiary bombs, the risk that the shelter will become an oven for the trapped occupants is a very real one. . . and occupants might be overcome by gas escaping from fractured pipes.

CRITICISM ANSWERED
"Undoubtedly most people would prefer to stay in their houses, to take shelter, and though at first sight the

device might seem to render this possible, their chances of rescue are greatly diminished and the prospect of a lingering death increased if the house collapses."

The sectional device is considered the answer to criticism of the cost involved in back-yard trenches.

"Placed in the garden or yard and covered with earth or sandbags it practices as good a shelter as a cover-

ed trench. It should be sunk at least partly in the ground.

The committee admit that some other solution must be sought for houses without a back-yard. The sectional shelter is regarded as having a definite place in the immediate short-term policy, but is considered less efficient than a permanent structure of brick and/or concrete of the pill-box type.

The shelter could be built in groups at the intersection of fences to accommodate two or four households of four people each.

Rheumatism's Toll

Rheumatism in relation to national health was discussed at a conference opened recently at the Hospitals and Nursing Exhibition, New Horticultural Hall, Westminster, S.W., by Dr. J. P. Halls Dally, Medical Referee under the L.C.C. rheumatism scheme.

Dr. Halls Dally said that in the 19th century tuberculosis was the chief bane. In the 20th century rheumatism was the most potent cause of disability and death afflicting the population of Great Britain.

It was estimated that 25,000 deaths annually were due to acute rheumatism. In its ravages among the community rheumatism outweighed the combined efforts of tuberculosis and cancer, and might be rightly termed Public Enemy No. 1.

Dr. Halls Dally dated the beginning of extended and practical interest in rheumatism in the year 1924 when the Ministry of Health published a report based on an investigation of 91,000 cases—58,000 men and 33,000 women—and clearly demonstrated the extent of economic damage to national health caused by this malady.

Since this report national and international leagues had been formed to combat rheumatism.

Across Canada On Horseback

Miss Mary Bosanquet, daughter of Mr. Vivian Bosanquet, formerly British Consul-General in Frankfurt, who lives at Beechingstone Manor, near here, is planning to ride on horseback across Canada.

She contemplates leaving England in March, and hopes to reach Vancouver by the end of May. She will then set out for Montreal, and, if circumstances are favourable, will go on to Quebec.

Miss Bosanquet has never been to Canada, but is interested in the Dominion, and hopes, by this method of travelling, not only to get some good riding, but to obtain first-hand information about the country.

EMPIRE NEWS

BIG LAND DEAL IN S.W. AFRICA

Capetown. The Union Government has given practical proof of its faith in the future of South-West Africa by outbidding the German Government for a huge tract of farming country in the territory.

Messrs. Liebig—South Africa—Ltd., who were established before the Great War as manufacturers of meat extract in South West Africa, decided to dispose of their holdings, comprising about 1,600,000 acres. The German Government tried to purchase the property for the settlement of German farmers. Through the South West Land Settlement Co. the Reich provides German immigrants with farm and on easy terms. Negotiations were at once opened by the Union Government with Liebig, and the property was purchased for £200,000. Some of the finest ranching country in South West Africa will be thrown open for settlement.

NEW ZEALAND

SOCIAL SECURITY PREPARATIONS

Auckland. Preparations for the entry into force of the Social Security scheme on April 1 include the merging of the pensions and unemployment divisions of the Labour Department, and the completion of an eight storey building at Wellington.

Next year the activities of the Social Security departments will be decentralised through the setting up of 40 separate offices. Mr. P. C. Webb, Minister of Labour, state that subsidised relief schemes will be brought to an end by March 31.

"We are consulting manufacturers and other employers," he said, "for the purpose of transferring men from relief schemes into secondary industry."

BURMA

TOUR OF INTERIOR BY COMMISSION

Georgetown. Three members of the Royal Commission on Labour Conditions in the West Indies, including probably Lord Moyne, the chairman, left recently for a tour of the interior by air.

They were away for three days and visited the Rupununi Valley, a possible site for Jewish settlements and the Kaituma Falls.

NORTHERN RHODESIA

POLICE CHIEF'S ASSAULTED

Rangoon. Mr. W. H. Tydd, Assistant Commissioner of Police, was injured during the recent disorder, when the mob attacked the car of the Commissioner, Mr. Reynolds.

A Burmese woman, addressing a meeting, boasted that she had assaulted Mr. Reynolds. The audience applauded.

Burmese buses are again withdrawn from the streets. The proprietors complain that they do not receive police protection. The police state that they are acting on orders from the Government.

BRITISH GUIANA

VOLUNTEER DEFENCE FORCE

Lusaka. The Government of Northern Rhodesia proposes to establish a European volunteer defence force of 400 men.

The function of the force will be to repel external aggression and aid the civil authority in the protection of life and property, or the suppression of internal civil disturbances. It will be staffed by Regular Army instructors.

PUTTER "CAN'T MISS"

LONDON. Prof. A. M. Low, who has never played golf, has invented a putter with which a player cannot miss. Its secret is a small lamp fitted to the shaft of the putter which shows a red light if the player does not move his club in a straight line with the ball and hole.

QUICK NEW STRENGTH AFTER ILLNESS

After a severe illness you feel so weak, you often despair of ever getting your strength back. Especially after operations, or wasting and other diseases, that affect your digestion, the thought of food is distasteful. Yet you must rebuild your body—you must have highly nourishing food.

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Italian Note To China

Protest At Killing Of Missionary

CHUNGKING, Mar. 16.
THE ITALIAN EMBASSY
has presented a note to the
Chinese Government protesting
strongly in connection with the
reported assassination of the
Italian Charge d'Affaires, Signor
Cocchi di Kwahsien, on the
Hutaho River in Shanai.
Father Cocchi was assassinated by
Chinese soldiers while celebrating
mass in the Church of Solat.—Trans-
Ocean.

"OCCUPIED AREA BELONGS TO GREATER REICH"

(Continued from Page 1.)

tion of the German courts. Other
inhabitants of Bohemia and Moravia
will be citizens of the protectorate of
Bohemia and Moravia.

"Article 3: The protectorate of
Bohemia and Moravia is an autonomous
and has its own administration. It
exercises its sovereign rights within
the status of the protectorate in
keeping with the political, military
and economic interests of the Reich.
Such sovereign rights will be exer-
cised by the protectorate's own
administrations and with its own
officials.

HEAD OF PROTECTORATE
"Article 4: The head of the auto-
nomous administration of the pro-
tectorate of Bohemia and Moravia
enjoys the protection and the rights
of honour usually accorded to the
head of a State. The head of the
protectorate, for carrying out his
duties, must possess the confidence of
the Fuehrer and the Reich Chan-
cellor.

"Article 5: As protector of the
interests of the Reich, the Reich
protector in Bohemia and Moravia is
appointed by the Fuehrer and the
Reich Chancellor, as representative of
the Fuehrer and the Reich Chan-
cellor. The Reich Protector has a
duty to see that the political
directions of the Fuehrer are carried
out. Members of the protectorate's
Government must be confirmed by
the Reich Protector. This confirma-
tion may be withdrawn. The Reich
Protector is entitled to information
on all measures he believes likely to
be against the Reich's interests, and
in case of danger, can take in com-
mon interest, measures which he
deems necessary. The announcement
of laws, decrees, or other proposed
measures, as well as the practical
application of administrative mea-
sures and legal decisions is to be
postponed if the Reich Protector
protests.

"Article 6: The foreign affairs of
the protectorate, especially the pro-
tection of its subjects abroad, are
taken care of by the Reich. The
Reich will conduct foreign affairs in
accordance with common interests.
The protectorate will have a rep-
resentative attached to the Reich
Government styled a 'Minister'.

MILITARY PROTECTION
"Article 7: The Reich gives
military protection to the protectorate.
In order to fulfil this duty, the Reich
will keep garrisons and military
establishments in the protectorate.
In order to preserve order and peace
within the protectorate, the pro-
tectorate will be allowed to keep its
own organisations, but their strength,
number, and armaments is fixed by
the Reich Government.

"Article 8: The Reich is entitled
to pass laws with validity for the
protectorate, if necessary in common
interests. As far as common
necessity exists, the Reich can take
over part of the protectorate's ad-
ministration into the direct Reich ad-
ministration, and install the neces-
sary Reich authorities. The Reich
Government is entitled to take all
measures necessary to keep up safety
and order.

JURISDICTION
"Article 12: Jurisdiction at pre-
sent in force in Bohemia and
Moravia remains valid unless
contradictory in the sense of the
protection taken over by the Reich.
"Article 13: The Reich Home
Minister, in collaboration with other
competent Reich Ministers, will issue
all legal and administrative ordi-
nances necessary for the carrying-
through of this enactment.

Dated March 16, 1939, and signed
by the Fuehrer and Reich Chancellor,
Adolf Hitler, the Reich Home
Minister, Dr. Frick, the Reich Foreign
Minister, Herr von Ribbentrop, and
the Reich Minister and Chief
of the Reich Chancellery, Dr.
Lammers.—Trans-Ocean.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

A. S. WATSON & CO., LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN
that the FIFTY-FOURTH ORDIN-
ARY YEARLY MEETING of the
Company (since registration) will
be held at the Hong Kong Hotel,
Hong Kong, on TUESDAY, the
28TH MARCH, 1939, at 11.30 a.m.
for the purpose of receiving the
Report of the General Managers
together with a Statement of
Accounts for the year ended
31ST OCTOBER, 1938.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the
Company will be CLOSED from
SATURDAY, the 18TH MARCH,
1939, to TUESDAY, the 28TH
MARCH, 1939, both days inclusive.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON,
General Managers.
Hongkong, 10th March, 1939.

THE HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE CO., LTD.

Notice to Shareholders

The Seventieth Ordinary General
Meeting of Shareholders will be
held at the Offices of the under-
signed on Friday, the 24th March,
1939, at Noon, for the purpose of
receiving the Report of the General
Managers, together with a state-
ment of Accounts for the year
ended the 31st December, 1938.

The Share Register and Trans-
fer Books will be closed from the
10th to the 24th March, 1939, both
days inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LTD.

General Managers,
The Hongkong Fire Insurance
Co., Ltd.
Hongkong, 3rd March, 1939.

ST. PATRICK'S DAY FRIDAY—17th MARCH, 1939.

A wreath will be laid at the
CEBOTAPH by the President and
Committee of St. Patrick's Society,
at 11.00 a.m.

Members of the Society and
their friends are asked to assemble
under the verandah at the North
side of the Supreme Court prior
to the ceremony.

ST. PATRICK'S BALL PENINSULA HOTEL—9.30 p.m.

Members of St. Patrick's Society
of Hong Kong and their guests
are informed that there will be a
Special FIVE-MINUTES Service
of "STAR" FERRIES from HONG
KONG to KOWLOON between 9.00
p.m. and 9.30 p.m. on 17th March
and SPECIAL FERRIES from
KOWLOON to HONG KONG at
2.00 a.m., 2.45 a.m. and 3.15 a.m.
on the following morning. The
last ordinary Ferry leaves at 1.15
a.m.

A BUFFET SUPPER will be
served from 11.30 p.m. to 1.30 a.m.
Tables may be booked with the
Management of the Peninsula
Hotel before 7.00 p.m. on the night
of the Ball.

Admission to the Ball is by
ticket only which is to be present-
ed at the MAIN ENTRANCE to the
Hotel.

Tickets may be obtained from
Mr. P. J. A. Hamilton, Hon.
Treasurer, P.O. Box 417 or Har-
bour View Hotel, Chatham Road,
Kowloon.

R. H. C. HALLOWES,
Hon. Secretary,
St. Patrick's Society of Hong Kong.
P.O. Box 417.

THE HONGKONG & KOWLOON WHARF & GODOWN CO., LTD.

Notice to Shareholders

THE FIFTY-SECOND ORDIN-
ARY ANNUAL MEETING OF
SHAREHOLDERS will be held at
the Office of Messrs. Jardine,
Matheson & Co., Ltd. on THURSDAY,
23rd MARCH, 1939, at
NOON, for the purpose of receiv-
ing the Report of the Directors
and the Statement of Accounts
for the year ended 31st December,
1938.

The Transfer Books of the
Company will be CLOSED from
MONDAY, the 13th March, 1939,
to THURSDAY, the 23rd March,
1939, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of
Directors,
C. M. MANNERS,
Secretary and Manager.
Hongkong, 4th March, 1939.

G. R.

PARTICULARS & CONDITIONS
of the Sale by Public Auction
to be held on Monday, the 20th
day of March, 1939, at 3 p.m.,
at the Offices of the Public
Works Department, by Order of
His Excellency the Governor of
one Lot of Crown Land at
Cheung Sha Wan, in the Colony
of Hong Kong, for a term of 75
years, commencing from 1st
July, 1898, with the option of
renewal at a Crown Rent to be
fixed by the Surveyor of His
Majesty the KING, for one fur-
ther term of 24 years less the
last three days thereof.

Intending bidders are advised
that immediately after the dis-
posal of the lot the Purchaser (if
not the applicant) will be required
to deposit with an authorised
officer who will be present at the
sale, the sum of two hundred
dollars, (\$200) in cash. This sum
will be refunded on payment of
the Purchase price.

PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

| No. of Sale | Registry No. | Locality | Boundary Measurements | Contents in sq. feet | Annual Rental | Upset Price |
|-------------|----------------------------------|--|--|----------------------|---------------|-------------|
| 1 | New Kowloon Inland Lot No. 2691. | Adjoining New Kowloon Inland Lot No. 2690, and Situated Between the New Kowloon Inland Lot No. 2690 and the New Kowloon Inland Lot No. 2692. | N. 8. E. W. 100 feet 100 feet 100 feet | As per sale plan. | About 7,000 | \$6 \$4,200 |

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| 2 | New Kowloon Inland Lot No. 2688. | Adjoining New Kowloon Inland Lot No. 2687, and Situated Between the New Kowloon Inland Lot No. 2687 and the New Kowloon Inland Lot No. 2689. | N. 8. E. W. 100 feet 100 feet 100 feet | As per sale plan. | About 1,255 | \$2 \$1,255 |

U.S. COMMODITY PRICES

LATEST CABLED QUOTATIONS:

| | New York Cotton | New York Rubber |
|-------|-----------------|-----------------|
| Mar. | 8.67/08 | 10.24/24 |
| May | 8.27/25 | 10.20/27 |
| July | 8.05/00 | 10.23b/27a |
| Oct. | 7.71/73 | 10.24/25 |
| Dec. | 7.68/68 | 7.69/69 |
| Jan. | 7.66/66 | 7.67/67 |
| Sept. | 7.66/66 | 7.67/67 |

The last Notice day for March
Cotton is March 17.
The last Notice day for March
Rubber is March 20.

| | Chicago Wheat | Chicago Corn |
|-------|---------------|---------------|
| May | 67 1/2/67 1/2 | 47 1/2/47 1/2 |
| July | 67 1/2/67 1/2 | 48 1/2/48 1/2 |
| Sept. | 67 1/2/67 1/2 | 49 1/2/49 1/2 |

| | Winnipeg Wheat | Winnipeg Corn |
|-------|----------------|---------------|
| May | 60 1/2/60 1/2 | 58 1/2/58 1/2 |
| July | 60 1/2/60 1/2 | 59 1/2/59 1/2 |
| Sept. | 60 1/2/60 1/2 | 60 1/2/60 1/2 |

London, Mar. 16.—Sir Basil
Cochrane Newton, British Minister
at Prague, has been appointed Am-
bassador to Baghdad.—Reuter.

G. R.

1939—1940.

Sealed Tenders will be received
at the Royal Naval Hospital, until
10 a.m. on the 21st March, 1939,
from persons desirous of supply-
ing Beef, Mutton, Poultry, Pork,
Cheese, Pure Cow's Milk, Ice, and
other provisions and necessities,
for the year ending 31st March,
1940.

Printed Forms of Tender and
further particulars can be obtain-
ed at the Royal Naval Hospital.

The right to reject the lowest or
any tender is reserved.

G. V. HOBBS,
Surgeon Captain,
Medical Officer in Charge.
Royal Naval Hospital,
Hong Kong.
15th. March, 1939.

G. R.

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|-------------|----------------------------------|--|--|----------------------|---------------|---------------|
| 3 | New Kowloon Inland Lot No. 2686. | Adjoining New Kowloon Inland Lot No. 2685, and Situated Between the New Kowloon Inland Lot No. 2685 and the New Kowloon Inland Lot No. 2687. | N. 8. E. W. 100 feet 100 feet 100 feet | As per sale plan. | About 30,400 | \$20 \$20,400 |

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|-------------|----------------------------------|--|--|----------------------|---------------|---------------|
| 4 | New Kowloon Inland Lot No. 2681. | Adjoining New Kowloon Inland Lot No. 2680, and Situated Between the New Kowloon Inland Lot No. 2680 and the New Kowloon Inland Lot No. 2682. | N. 8. E. W. 100 feet 100 feet 100 feet | As per sale plan. | About 20,000 | \$76 \$20,000 |

Netherlands Orders American Planes

Washington, Mar. 16.
The Netherlands Military Commis-
sion has placed orders with the
United States for 10 Douglas bombers
in connection with the strengthening
of the defences of Netherlands India.
The Commission, headed by Vice-
Admiral Van Duyn, is leaving for
Holland to-morrow.—Reuter.

JAPANESE BOMB KULING

Nanchang, Mar. 17.
Kuling, the famous summer
resort in north Kiangsi, was
bombed by nine Japanese planes
on Tuesday.

It may be recalled that though a
part of the foreign residents atop the
hill were evacuated recently, many
others who are unable to evacuate
still remain.

The Japanese raiders dropped over
ten bombs. One missile hit a
British residence which was con-
spicuously marked by a British flag.
A tailor seeking shelter there was
killed. Another missile landed in
the campus of an American school.

All the other bombs, including
several incendiaries, fell on vacant
lots.—Central News.

CHINESE PLANES SWING INTO ACTION

Wanchiaofu, Mar. 17.
Japanese positions at Singtze, 20
miles southwest of Kuikling, on the
west bank of Poyang Lake, were
bombed by Chinese planes yesterday
morning. Many high explosives were
dumped, causing heavy casualties
among the Japanese troops.

Japanese anti-aircraft guns barked
at the Chinese raiders furiously but
caused no damage.

From Singtze the Chinese aircraft
winged their way to Lukow at the
mouth of the Poyang Lake, where
they dumped some more missiles on
the Japanese positions.—Central
News.

Buenos Aires Resident Plaintiff In Local Partnership Case

Alfonso George Piovaneli, of
Florida Tacumen, Buenos Aires,
Argentina, was the plaintiff in
an action before the Chief
Justice, Sir Atholl MacGregor, in
the Summary Court this morn-
ing.

Defendant was Alberto Pasquale,
restaurant manager, of Dina House,
Hongkong.

Piovaneli claimed a dissolution of
the partnership entered into between
him and Pasquale on May 31, 1937
under the name of Frascati, accounts,
payment of any sum found due to
him, such further relief as the court
deemed just and costs.

Mr. G. K. Hall Britton appeared
for Piovaneli.

Arabs Reject Proposals

LONDON, Mar. 16.
THE ARAB DELEGATES to
the Palestine conference are
understood also to have decided
that the principles contained in
the British proposals are unac-
ceptable.

It is anticipated that to-morrow's
meeting will be the last of the series.
"Reuters" understands that details
of the proposals of the British Gov-
ernment make it clear that the
ultimate objective is an independent
Palestine State, possibly Federal in
character in a treaty relation with
Britain.

It is stated that one or two of the
Jewish delegates to the conference
may return to Palestine during the
week-end, but the delegation as a
whole will remain until the final
word is spoken.—Reuter.

Quintin Roosevelt For Hongkong

Yokohama, Mar. 16.
Mr. Quintin Roosevelt, 18-year-old
grandson of the late Mr. Theodore
Roosevelt, former President of the
United States, arrived here this
morning aboard the s.s. Empress of
Asia en route to China.

A student of Harvard University,
he has been sent by the Boston
Museum to study ethnology in China
and India for a period of four
months. He will visit Hongkong
during his tour.—Domet.

U.S. Oil Interests In Mexico

Mexico City, Mar. 16.
A very hopeful official statement
was issued to-day concerning the
negotiations between President Cardenas
and Mr. Richberg, the latter repre-
senting foreign oil interests in
negotiations regarding the expropri-
ation of foreign oil concessions in
Mexico.

The statement said that much pro-
gress had been made and that the
views of the oil companies and the
Government were "reaching
approximation."—Reuter.

Bulgarian Premier In Turkey

Istanbul, Mar. 16.
The Bulgarian Premier, M.
Krischinskoff, arrived here to-day en
route to Ankara to see President
Inciuri.

Turkish political circles attach
great importance to the talks which
may mark a step towards completion
of the formidable Balkan bloc by
the adhesion of Bulgaria, though it
is believed Bulgaria will not join
the bloc without concession to its
revisionist claims.—Reuter.

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cott, North American Company, International Harvester
and J. C. Penney stocks.

The Westinghouse Electric Company's February earnings
were 32 per cent. over January.

Chemical sales in March are estimated at 15 per cent. over
those of the corresponding month of last year.

A sharp reduction is expected in the first-quarter profits
of the Continental Oil Corporation.

WHEAT: Prices in Winnipeg reached a new low level for May
wheat owing to the freight rate cut in the Argentine.

SUGAR: The market was strong on the 77,000 tons quota reduction.
The Bureau of Agriculture predicts over-seasonal Spring
and Summer activity.

RUTHENIAN OCCUPATION COMPLETED

(Continued from Page 1.)

The fact that the German News
Agency calls M. Hacha President may
indicate that he is head of the new
protectorate under the style of
"Protector."—Reuter.

FRONTIER CLOSED

Bucharest, Mar. 16.

It is learned that the Government
has decided to close the Rumanian-
Ruthenian frontier to refugees.

Czech and Ruthenian refugees are
still coming across the frontier, and
well over 5,000 are now in Dighel
and the neighbourhood.

Nearly all the Czech refugees will
be returned to Bohemia by the
Rumanian authorities, via Yugo-
slavia.—Reuter.

REICH POLISH FRONTIER

Warsaw, Mar. 16.

The first Hungarian patrols are
reported to have reached the Polish-
Ruthenian frontier at noon to-day.

Reports state that heavy snow and
difficult conditions generally delayed
the advance of the Hungarian troops.
—Trans-Ocean.

HITLER LEAVES PRAGUE

Prague, Mar. 16.

Herr Hitler left Prague this after-
noon for an unrevoked, the Fuehrer
reviewed German students of the
Prague University, who assembled in
the courtyard of the Hradecny
Palace to greet him.—Trans-Ocean.

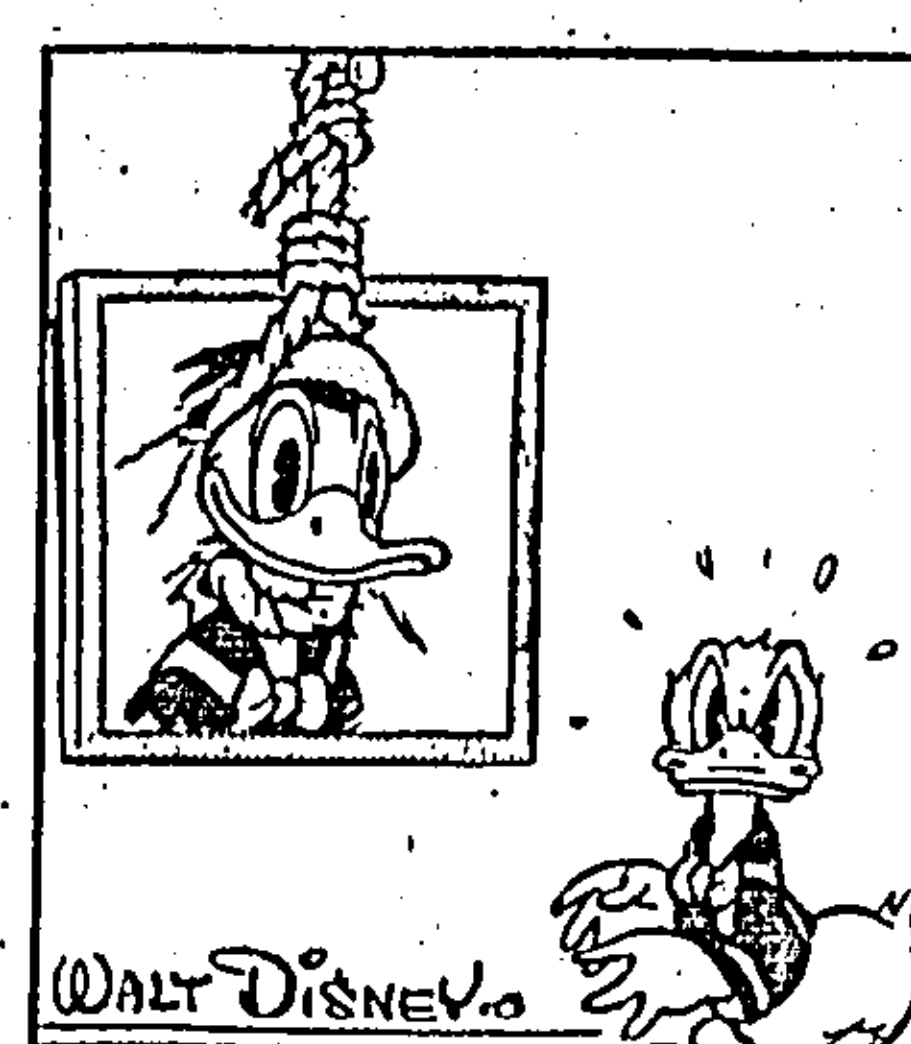
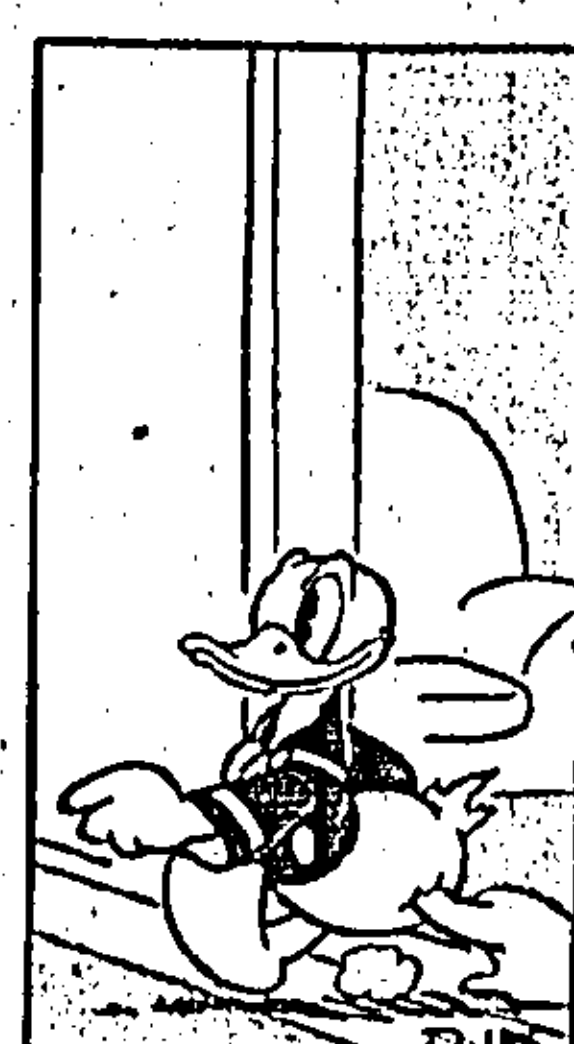
GERMANY TAKES OVER LEGATIONS

London, Mar. 16.

The Czechoslovak Legation in
London was to-day taken possession
of by the German Embassy following
the proclamation of the German pro-
tectorate over Bohemia and Moravia.
—Trans-Ocean.

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Broadcast By Lady Northcote

Historic Address From Government House

When, from her study, Lady Northcote, wife of the Governor, spoke to ZBW listeners just after 8 o'clock last night, she made Hongkong history, as the first Governor's Lady to speak over the wireless from Government House. Her address was an appeal for sympathy and support for the relief efforts of the Chinese Young Women's Christian Association.

The broadcast was conducted without a hitch. The necessary band-line arrangements were made during the day, and the transfer of transmission from Government House was smoothly effected.

Lady Northcote's address was as follows: The Chinese Young Women's Christian Association has done me the honour of asking me to broadcast a message in the hope that it may help a little in their great financial campaign.

More and more, as this dreadful war goes on, the demand becomes greater, for not only workers, but trained workers, and that is where the Young Women's Christian Association is giving such excellent service. They are training nurses, teachers and secretaries, and are doing endless good work among the refugees wherever the tide of war has passed. But we must remember that before these girls were able to do so much to help the cause of suffering humanity, they all had to be trained, in some cases quite a long training, and that training costs money.

I am sure that most of you would like to help in this fine work as far as possible, and here is a way in which we can all be of real help, and that is to find the funds which will go towards training all those many girls who are so anxious to help, but who cannot afford to do it themselves.

Great Need of Clothing

Another object for which funds are badly needed is for clothing. Many of the thousands of refugees are entirely destitute, and, cold though it may be here, further north it is terrible. So large quantities of padded coats for men, women and children are of the utmost necessity, and so are shoes, and these needs all require money.

There is also the problem of food supplies. There the need is boundless.

Still we can give our mite towards it. The Young Women's Christian Association are hoping to raise at least \$16,000. It is a large sum, but by no means beyond what is so badly needed, and it is one that I have every hope it will be possible to raise.

There are dozens of other activities of the Young Women's Christian Association which I have not mentioned, excellent though they are, but it seems to me that the training in character which all these girls receive is of the utmost importance, not only for their work now, but for all their future lives, and for the good citizenship which it teaches them.

I hope that all who can, will avail themselves of this opportunity of helping and of helping generously.

Y.W.C.A. WORK OUTLINED

At the close of Lady Northcote's address Mrs. A. M. Overell, a member of the Hongkong Y.W.C.A. and, prior to her arrival in Hongkong, honorary secretary of the Malayan Committee, gave an informative address on the activities of the association. She said:

Lady Northcote has made an appeal to you for funds for the Y.W.C.A. I should like now, if I may, to tell you what this world-wide movement is doing for women and girls.

As long ago as 1855 a little house was opened in London for the purpose of providing training for girls who were going out to help Florence Nightingale in the Crimea. Out of that small seed has grown the present organisation which links together in faith and service the women of 53 countries. One of those countries is China, and in addition to what the Association is doing here in Hongkong, it is carrying out its varied programme in Central China, in branches, for instance, in Chungking and Chengtu, in the occupied areas, in Shanghai, Peiping, and Chefoo, in nearby Canton, and in the rural areas, where teams of girls are helping the work of re-construction in the villages.

War Fails to Stop Work

In some places, having no members left, branches have been obliged to close down; others, adapting themselves to changed conditions, have continued to function. In Chefoo there have been problems of co-operation with a new Government.

Knowing that there can be no progress anywhere, social or political, without education, every branch includes in its programme educational activities. At Tientsin, for example, the Association maintains not only a kindergarten for 75 children, but has a primary school with an enrolment of 85.

Our property at Changsha, that is to say, the actual building survived the fire, though the houses round it are gone. "There never was a time," wrote the local secretary recently, "when our kind of work

was more needed, since there are no other women's organizations here and no cultural agencies except churches."

More Cheerful Picture

In un-occupied China, on the other hand, there is a more cheerful picture. At Kunning, as at Chengtu, there are unusual opportunities for extension.

In Canton the building and the staff survived the fall of the city, but as work was held up and the relief situation being adequately cared for by missionary groups, it was decided to go out, as a mobile group, centred on Hongkong and Macao, concentrating on mass education amongst refugees.

The problem of ladies attending the drawing-rooms. So far as early spring fashions are concerned, they will not be required to expose themselves half naked to the bleak air of a March day.

A Look Through The "Telegraph"

50 YEARS AGO

March 17, 1889. A refreshingly cool day. The Magistrate this morning. He went into a house in Wellington Street and lifted the door off its hinges, preparatory to removing the building. Six weeks.

It is pleasing to read that Queen Victoria has intimated her intention of relaxing the strict rules about the cut of dresses of ladies attending the drawing-rooms. So far as early spring fashions are concerned, they will not be required to expose themselves half naked to the bleak air of a March day.

25 YEARS AGO

March 17, 1914. The Duke of Wellington has forwarded a letter to the Lord Mayor of London appealing to the public for \$10,000 sterling with which to acquire the battlefield of Waterloo on the occasion of its centenary, and thus prevent any building upon it. The Committee already formed includes Lord Roberts and Lord Methuen.

The suffragists dashed, with white paint, on the interior of Birmingham Cathedral the words "Votes for Women" and similar war cries. The magnificent Burne-Jones window is feared to be permanently disfigured.

10 YEARS AGO

March 17, 1929. How fast can a motor car go? It is the opinion of designers of racing cars that a speed of 250 miles an hour will some day be attained.

Although when Captain Campbell hung up his record of 205.5 miles per hour, it was believed that his record would stand indefinitely. One of the difficulties in the speed tests of the racing car is in timing the car when it is making its best mile. Since the relative speed of a car is affected by the direction and velocity of the wind, the racing rules require that the run be made in both directions and that an average be struck. (The record is now 35 m.p.h., set by George Eyston last September. Timing is now recorded automatically by an electric "eye".—Ed.)

5 YEARS AGO

March 17, 1934. H.M.S. Cornwall and H.M.S. Wren will be thrown open to visitors tomorrow.

Hedra to the great Woolworth mill, Princes Alexandra Mill, through Hongkong yesterday, by the Lloyd Triestino liner Conte Verde, accompanied by Prince Alexis.

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Appeal By Benes

Czechs And Slovaks Should Fight

Chicago, Mar. 16. Dr. Edouard Benes, former Czech President, termed the dismemberment of Czecho-Slovakia "a new shocking international crime. It is a deed through which Europe has been deprived and will be deprived in future of peace, order, and tranquillity. After what has happened the Czech people cannot defend themselves and are obliged to give in to brute force, but you Czechs and Slovaks throughout the world who remain free keep in mind the fight for a free Czecho-Slovakia and a free people of Czecho-Slovakia who are not stopped and will not stop until a free Czecho-Slovakia and a free land for the Czechs and Slovaks is resurrected."—United Press.

CHARITY BALL

A Charity Ball under the auspices of the University of Shanghai Alumni Association, Hongkong, is to be held at the Kowloon Tong Garden City Club to-morrow between 8.30 p.m. and 1 a.m. Entries tickets cost \$2 each, mid-night supper included. There will be various exhibitions, dances and floor shows. A part of the Hongkong Hotel Orchestra will play for the dances.

With these attractions, and the proceeds being for the benefit of refugees and their children, the ball is expected to be extraordinarily patronized. Early table reservation at the Kowloon Tong Garden City Club are advised: telephone 58427.

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12.30 Peter Dawson (Bass-Baritone) and the Band of H. M. Coldstream Guards.

Liberty Bell—March (Sousa); Hawa—March (Morce); The Band of H. M. Coldstream Guards cond. by Lieut. J. C. Windram; Mother O' Mine (Kipling-Tours); Danny Deever (Kipling-Dampoch); Peter Dawson (Bass-Baritone) with Orchestra; Colonial Medley; Intro: The Maple Leaf for ever; O Canada; Advance Australia; God defend New Zealand; Marie Marais... The Band of H. M. Coldstream Guards cond. by Lieut. J. C. Windram; I Fear No Fox (Pinault); Hybris; The Cretan (Elliot)... Peter Dawson (Bass-Baritone) with Orchestra; Royal Cavalcade—Coronation March (Ketelbey)... The Band of H. M. Coldstream Guards cond. by Lieut. J. C. Windram.

1.00 Local Time Signal and Weather Report.

1.03 Danny Malone (Tenor) in an Irish Programme.

Draper's Maggot (arr. Arnold Foster); The Hole in the Wall (arr. Arnold Foster)... Folk Dance Orchestra cond. by Arnold Foster; Belche Me, If All Those Endearing Young Charms (Moore, arr. Cluam); Mother Macree (Oleott and Ball)... Danny Malone (Tenor) with Orchestra; Tell Her I Am—Jig Medley; The Morning Dew—Reel Medley; Michael Coleman (Violin) with Piano; Her Name is Mary (Sievler and Ramsay); Sweetheart, Darlin' (film 'Peg o' my Heart')... Danny Malone (Tenor) with Orchestra; Londonderry Air (Traditional)... Albert Sandler (Violin) with Sidney Torch at the Organ.

1.50 Reuter and Rugby Press, Weather Forecast and Announcements.

1.40 Danny Malone (Tenor) in an Irish Programme cont'd.

The Irish Organist—Medley (arr. T. Casey)... Torance Casey (Organ); The Hills of Donegal (Sanderson); The Bard of Armagh (arr. Herbert Hughes)... Danny Malone (Tenor) with Orchestra; Irish Washerwoman (arr. Sowerby); Turkey in the Straw (Guion)... Light Symphony Orchestra; With My Shillelagh Under My Arm (O'Brien and Wallace); Phil the Fluter's Ball (French)... Peter Dawson (Bass-Baritone) with Orchestra.

2.15 Close Down.

6.00 Relay of the Dance Orchestra from the Roof Garden of the Hongkong Hotel.

(a) You and Me; (b) The Big Dipper; (c) Serenade to the Stars; (d) Vieni Vieni.

6.14 Record: Robins and Roses (Leslie, Burke); Would You (film 'San Francisco')... Bing Crosby (Vocal) and Victor Young and His Orchestra.

6.21 (a) After you've gone; (b) A-tisket A-tasket; (c) Until the real thing comes along; (d) Boston Tea Party.

6.35 Records: Day-In—Day-Out—Quickstep; Mine Alone—Slow Fox-Trot; Gerry Dore (Bianco) with String Bass and Drums; I Have Lost My Heart in Budapest (Mihaly, Belner)... Raymond Balrd (Saxophone).

6.45 London Relay—Intermission. A programme of novelty numbers.

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DEATH

LELLO.—Suddenly at Macao on March 11, Helena Loureiro Lello, widow of the late Dr. A. P. Lello, and dearly beloved daughter of Mrs. Mary Loureiro of Peak Road.

The
Hongkong Telegraph.

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March 17, 1939

Democracy on Trial

WHAT IS clear regarding the rape of Czechoslovakia is that that country, whilst not perfect in its administration of minorities, suffered dismemberment and oblivion not for its own sins against minorities, as Hitler would have us believe, but for the ambitions of other states to confiscate these minorities and the territory they inhabit.

Czechoslovakia's fate was sealed not so much because it was damned by its minorities as because it was blessed by geography that became the target for the sort of attack against which even the fastness of Bohemia proved inadequate fortification.

"Whoever is master of Bohemia is master of Europe." The thought was Bismarck's, and every attempt of German leaders to move eastward has impressed them with the sagacity of that observation.

How Herr Hitler will be able to reconcile his previous expressions of the right of self-determination with the seizure of a land in which nearly eight million people now become a minority in Germany is hard to conceive.

In September, it will be recalled, Herr Hitler purported to desire no more than the absorption of Germany's own kin and expressly disclaimed all intention of dominating the Czechs. How then, is the satisfaction of that right for the Czechs not as much a sine qua non of European peace as the satisfaction of the rights of the German minority. There is no reconciling Herr Hitler's solemn pledges and undertakings at Munich, and subsequently, in his speech at Nuremberg, with his actions in Central Europe and, to our shame, we have been made, unwittingly perhaps, a party to the dismemberment of a nation which put its trust in Democracy.

Democracy's diplomacy has lamentably failed against the Totalitarian. Firstly, forgotten Haile Selassie could at least have been Emperor of a considerable portion of his country had he broken faith with the nations who broke faith with him. Spain would not have faced the threat of vassalage to Rome had Democracy insisted that the Non-Intervention policy which it framed had been carried out. Democracy undoubtedly has failed China.

The record, in fact, is one of Totalitarian States will view with satisfaction and historians with contempt.

To-day Irishmen the world over celebrate the Day of—

SAINT PATRICK

TO-DAY, Irishmen the world over, and not least in Hongkong, are honouring the memory of their patron Saint. And no one has a better right to that title than St. Patrick—even though he was born in Scotland or, as some say, in Wales.

THE STORY of his life is obscured yet enriched by legends.

The Book of Lismore tells us that when the newly born child was taken for

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St. Patrick's Breastplate—his hymn on the Trinity—was long supposed by the Irish peasantry to have the power of warding off evil.

This was presumably an extension of the Saint's own power to perform miracles.

He is popularly credited with being responsible for the expulsion of all venomous snakes from Ireland.

On another occasion, we are told, he emerged victorious from a contest in magic skill with a Druid priest at Tara.

Lucetmael, the Druid, was

able by incantations to cover the plain with snow, though he could only make it disappear at the same hour a day later.

"Thou canst do evil, but not good," said St. Patrick, and when he had blessed the plain the snow was no longer there.

LEGEND APART, however, it is an undoubted historical fact that Irish civilisation owes much to St. Patrick.

His missionary work did a great deal to spread the light, not only of Christian knowledge, but of the civilisation and culture that went with it.

He bridged the gap between the Irish and the Roman churches; and in the strength his organisation gave to the scattered Christian communities of the country did Ireland find the seeds of her future greatness as a land of "saints and scholars."

YOUR HEART—Forget It

HAVE you ever been to your doctor to ask for a thorough overhaul? If so, I wager you heaved a bigger sigh of relief on hearing his "Nothing wrong with your heart, anyway—than in my—thing else."

People worry about their hearts too much, and if it isn't their hearts it's their blood pressure.

I remember a man who led a sedentary life in town, and reaped its usual fruit in extra fat, a bluish complexion, a tendency to bronchitis, and shortness of breath.

I took him to one of the greatest heart experts in London. And this is what the specialist said to him: "I wouldn't change hearts with you for worlds. Yours is simply overfed and under-exercised. Go up to the mountains and give it some better work to do than just pumping blood through that unnecessary encumbrance of fat. Go and slim yourself."

So the man climbed a hill or two daily. The result was that his heart, overtired through labouring to nourish excess tissue, recovered its full strength. He is now the most active man of his age I know.

EVERY doctor is familiar with the worried patient who says "I want you to have a look at my heart; I've been having such pains there lately." The doctor finds in almost every case just what he expects: a normal heart, but a stomach overburdened with flatulence.

Adults are terribly easily scared about their hearts. When they are overworked or worried their hearts every now and then give a beat out of rhythm. They feel this like a sudden pounding, and get alarmed.

Yet all they want is a little explanation, the possibility of getting better sleep with the aid of a sedative, and the hope even of a holiday.

Blood pressure is another great phobia. I used to know a clergyman of 61 whose son was a doctor. The son was very proud of his father's blood pressure, which reached the astronomical height of 230, yet never seemed to interfere with the old boy's habit of going out into the garden to lay out a new flower-bed in the morning, and going for a row on the lake in the afternoon.

So don't worry about the blood pressure or the hardness of the arteries either till your doctor tells you. Before anything adverse happens to you in that line there are likely to be great discoveries made. They are on the way now; and I shall tell you about them shortly.

GRIN AND BEAR IT

By Lichty



"Don't forget to check the anti-freeze and put a blanket on the radiator, and let the motor warm up before you drive—and don't you catch cold!"

BRITAIN PREPARES—IV

NATIONAL SERVICE

EDITOR'S NOTE: In the next war Britain, for the first time

in 900 years, will be in grave danger of armed invasion. In the past the navy kept her shore intact. The danger now is from the air. To meet this modern peril, Britain is organising her civil population. Every able-bodied man and woman will have a job to do. This series of articles, which concludes to-day, tells the story of Britain's army of "passive defence", and of the hundred-and-one other ways in which Britain is preparing for war at home.

ALONGSIDE the general Government plan, local authorities, public utilities, and private firms are doing their own bit for Britain's defence in the next war.

In the care of local authorities, while they have more or less a free hand to decide their own means of defence, they are controlled by the Government to this extent: that the national exchequer will loan from 60 to 85 per cent. of the cost.

It is estimated that this means an expenditure of about £8,500,000 a year over four years, with a continuing cost of 70 per cent. of that paid by the local authorities.

HERE ARE some of their schemes: The Port of London covers an area of 45 miles of docks and quays and 70 miles of river. It has a population of 20,000,000 with a radius of 100 miles of the river. An average of 1,000 ships pass through it every week, and it has an actual population of 60,000, 20,000 of whom work on the river.

To protect this vital source of supplies, the balloon barrage and anti-aircraft guns will be particularly closely clustered in the port area. In addition, the river workers are being trained in special A.R.P. work, and the stevedores are learning to load and unload at night in a minimum of light.

Shelters and decontamination and first-aid huts are being built. Trenches are being dug, and at some places barges will be used as shelters. It is planned that there will be cover of some sort every few hundred yards.

Four thousand volunteers are needed, and it is estimated that 2,000 have enrolled already. The seventy miles of river as far as Teddington has been divided into 25 sections, and it is planned to have a fleet of fire-fighting tugs, and barges with fire-pumps towed by motor-boats. Another idea is to have scores of fast motor-boats as dispatch riders.

The heads of the heavy industry concerns have been in conference, and have drawn up plans to put it on a wartime basis at 24 hours' notice. The iron and steel industries have a plan of co-ordination that will enable a turn-out of 14,000,000 tons annually—a figure never yet achieved. The engineering industry is ready to switch over to munitions. Committees of supply for labour and materials have been appointed.

The coal industry has made arrangements to prevent the rush of miners to the army as they did in the world war.

The motorcar factories are all geared to switch over to airplane construction.

WHILE the government laboratories are experimenting in methods of propulsion for plant, vehicles and fuel, the oil industry is also making its own arrangements. At the oil and gasoline reserves, particularly along the Thames, special fire precautions have been

installed. Special evacuation plans have been drawn up, and high walls and deep trenches have been dug around the tanks to prevent fire from spreading. At one depot a huge concrete saucer has been built around the tanks to catch the burning liquid.

In addition the motor car industry has instituted a national register of its own, and it already knows the capacity of 20,000 garages in the country. It has divided Britain into areas and districts with lists of all owners and operators of commercial vehicles, but not private cars. Local officers will have power to commandeer in an emergency.

The electricity concerns have decided to form a national reserve of equipment. It will cost about £3,000,000, and they hope the government will pay half. The remainder will be raised by a levy on authorised undertakings, but not at the expense of the tax-payer.

THE METROPOLITAN WATER BOARD, some time ago, decided to spend over £400,000 on defence, of which the government promised to provide £150,000. The board has already spent £300,000, and is getting a little worried about the government grant.

The money is being spent on portable pumping plant, units for sterilising fouled mains, steel plates for windows and roofs of pumping stations, fire mains and hydrants, and shelters with works, pumping stations, and in the basement of the head offices. The key personnel of 27,000 has been trained in A.R.P.

Under the direction of the British Medical Association, the co-ordination of all medical services under a single body is being arranged. A national register of doctors and nurses is being prepared.

AND TO CONCLUDE this series showing how Britain has adopted the motto: "Be Prepared."

Sir John Anderson has stated that 500,000 men and women will be needed for A.R.P. work in wartime. He also said that under the national service scheme recruits will be instructed less in anti-gas precautions than in incendiary bombs and high explosives.

There were approximately 1,100,000 volunteers for A.R.P.—720,000 men and 380,000 women—at the end of January.

Southport, Lancashire, is the first district to put out the "house full" sign for A.R.P. work.

Sandbags are being manufactured at the rate of 2,000,000 a week. During the crisis 8,000,000 were available. A total of 275,000,000 is scheduled.

One of the organisations under the heading of national service is the Auxiliary Territorial Service for women. They are the successors to the famous war-time W.A.A.C.'s, and they will perform non-combatant duties with the regular and territorial armies and the Royal Air Force. A strength of 2,000 officers (Continued on Page 11.)

OVERNIGHT NEWS PAGE

HITLER IS CHEERED IN PRAGUE

Prague, Mar. 16. Thousands of picked German troops and police maintain order as Herr Hitler personally directs the Nazification of Czechia from his headquarters at Hradzin Castle. The population remained indoors all night subjected to a very strict curfew under which even foreign newspaper correspondents were not permitted to appear in the streets. The Fuehrer's arrival at Prague was a great contrast to his previous triumphal entries. Many wondered whether he would risk himself to the first ridicule and abuse he will have known since he left the German capital, not to mention the danger of an attempt at assassination. Sunshine has replaced the blizzard and life is coming back to normal under military vigilance and German warnings against the Jewish element in Prague has been seized with panic and many suicides are reported.—United Press.

Hitler Takes A Bow

Prague, Mar. 16. Herr Hitler, surrounded by his bodyguards, secret police and troops, made a personal appearance on the balcony of the Suburban Palace before a crowd of cheering German residents.—United Press.

Malcontents Suffer

Prague, Mar. 16. It is reported that the German secret police have arrested 5,000 in Prague. At present there are between 20,000 and 30,000 troops in the city and 200,000 in the whole country.—United Press.

New China Loan

HUGE SUM FOR WAR EXPENSES

Chungking, Mar. 16. The Chinese Central Government has decided to issue a loan of one and a fifth millions Chinese dollars and to open the subscription list on April 1.

It is expected that by that time the Supreme Defence Council will have sanctioned the loan.

This issue is to consist of two parts, each of 500 million dollars. The first part will be called a "reconstruction loan," and the second a "military loan."

Both sections will be for the purpose of enabling the Chinese Government to continue its resistance to Japan.

Although the individual conditions on which this loan will be issued have not yet been made known, it is stated in authoritative quarters that the price of the issue will be at par.

The loan will be repayable in 30 years, and bears interest, but the rate has not yet been divulged.

In financial circles here, the prospects of the loan are regarded optimistically.—Trans-Ocean.

THIEVES FRUSTRATED

Police Forestall Two Men Who Planned Robbery

Two men, Tsai Ping, 33, unemployed, and Tsai Chung, 31, tailor, were charged before Mr. R. A. D. Forrest at the Central Magistracy yesterday with conspiring, between March 9 and March 14, to commit a crime of violence, namely, robbery, in Fleming Road, Wanchai. They were also charged with possession of two knives, and possession of instruments fit for an unlawful purpose.

Both defendants pleaded guilty to the first count, but denied the others, saying the knives were not theirs. Detective Sub-inspector W. N. Darke accepted the pleas, and the second and third counts were accordingly withdrawn.

Inspector Darkin said that the police were forewarned that the men were about to commit a robbery, so a trap was laid for them. Both defendants were arrested in the street when on their way to commit the crime.

"I have been instructed," he said, "to ask your Worship to take a serious view of the case, and if possible to impose the maximum sentence for banishment. Defendants are not natives of Hongkong."

Mr. Forrest passed sentence of six months' hard labour on each defendant, and also recommended them for banishment.

FARM PEOPLE ROBBED

Six robbers, two armed with revolvers and another with a dagger, robbed two houses in Tai Tai Ling village, Sheung Shui district, New Territories, early yesterday morning. The men first entered the home of Kan Kwai, a 31-year-old farmer, and ransacked his hut. They then went to another house, several doors away, and robbed Kan's uncle, Kan Sau, 61, before decamping. The total loss suffered by the two farmers included \$230 in money and \$34 worth of jewellery.

Hitler's Proclamation

AUTONOMY TERMS FOR BOHEMIA AND MORAVIA

Prague, Mar. 16. Herr von Ribbentrop, broadcasting a proclamation on behalf of Chancellor Hitler announced that the German nationals, of the new protectorate will become German citizens.

The Nuremberg anti-Jewish laws will be applied. A Customs union has been effected between Germany and the former Czech State.—Reuter.

Frick in Prague

Berlin, Mar. 16. Dr. Frick has flown to Prague in order to clarify international and legal questions in Bohemia and Moravia.—Reuter.

City Quiet

Prague, Mar. 16. The population accept the course of events with discipline and calm. Troop movements in the streets have practically ceased and the city again has a normal appearance. All munitions and radio sets, except those used by officials, must be handed over to the military authorities. Food profiteering is being rigorously suppressed.

Herr von Ribbentrop, German Foreign Minister, had a long conversation this morning with the Italian Minister, Signor Fransoni.—Reuter.

Commission Appointed

Prague, Mar. 16. General Gajda, Czech Fascist leader, who has been appointed Fuehrer of the Czechs, has issued a proclamation establishing a Labour Commission composed of representatives of all classes.

The German secret police are already in action. Inhabitants who remained indoors at night time communicated only by telephone and they did this cautiously because the lines were tapped.—Reuter.

Terms of Autonomy

Prague, Mar. 16. Chancellor Hitler's proclamation broadcast by Herr von Ribbentrop states: "For a thousand years Bohemia and Moravia were part of the living space of the German people. Force and foolishness removed them from their historical surroundings and finally, by incorporating them in the artificial formation of Czechoslovakia, created a centre of continual unrest. From year to year the dangers increased. At any time a new and tremendous war to European peace might have broken out from this area. The Czech-Slovak State proved that it could not live, and fell to pieces."

The decree further stated that the areas formerly held by the Czechs and occupied by the German troops in March 1939 belong now to the Great German Reich and fall under its protection as the protectorate of Bohemia and Moravia. German inhabitants in these areas become German citizens and are placed under German jurisdiction.

The protectorate will be autonomous and administer itself and will exercise sovereign rights, within the limits of the protectorate. The head of the protectorate requires the confidence of the Fuehrer. In the interests of the Reich the Fuehrer appoints a Reich protector. Membership of the Government protectorate will be subject to confirmation of the Reich protector. He can veto measures calculated to harm the Reich.

The conduct of foreign affairs will be taken over by the Reich. The protectorate will have a representative in Berlin on the Reich Government.

The Reich gives the protectorate military protection. The Reich undertakes immediate supervision of communications as well as posts and telegraphs. The protectorate belongs to the Customs system of the Reich. So far as general need exists, the Reich may take over any administration in the protectorate and establish Reich authorities.—Reuter.

Blood Protection

Articles of the German law relating to the protection of German blood will apply to Germans, and they will be subject to the jurisdiction of German courts. Other inhabitants will be citizens of the Protectorate. In order to fulfil its duty the Reich will keep garrisons and military establishments in the Protectorate.—Trans-Ocean.

Hitler's Commendation

Berlin, Mar. 16. Herr Hitler has sent a message to General Braunschtich, Commander-in-Chief of the Army, reading: "Through the speedy occupation of the chief cities of Bohemia and Moravia on March 15, the former Reich territory is under the sovereignty of Greater Germany. In spite of a stormy winter and difficult road conditions, units of the army and air force a few hours after delivery of orders, crossed the frontier and reached their positions. The troops which I met on my way to Prague made a splendid impression."

Spelling Bee

How many of these words are correct and what is wrong with the others? holocaust assessor ribstone hogshed assayer ribstone hogsted assayer ribstone English Oxford Dictionary spelling of these words will be found on page 9.

General Petain As Ambassador

Hendaye, Mar. 16. General Petain, who crossed the frontier to take up the post of French Ambassador at Burgos, was welcomed to-day by French and Spanish officials and cheered by a large crowd.—Reuter Special.

No German Aid For Ruthenia

Chust, Mar. 16. Czech army regulars and provincial guards continue bitter fighting against the invading Hungarian army which has been beaten back at many points, with bad weather making progress difficult.

It is indicated that resistance will be continued while Father Volosin makes efforts to establish a truce with Budapest.—United Press.

Ruthenian Opposition

Berlin, Mar. 16. The Ruthenian National Guard is making a big effort to oppose the Hungarian advance. They know the ground and are accustomed to the bitter weather conditions.

The local volunteer force, supported by peasants armed with what weapons they have been able to seize, are desperately defending the independence of the territory. They are said to be handicapped by the Czech military refusing to give them weapons and even resisting them.

The Hungarians are reported to have captured four villages and are attacking a fifth.—Reuter.

No German Aid

Bratislava, Mar. 16. Early reports indicate that Slovakia is quiet. The police have almost completed the methodical arrest of the known Communists and anti-German elements. German troops are at the outskirts of Bratislava. Reports that Father Volosin had requested German aid and that German troops had marched into Ruthenia appear to be unfounded.—United Press.

Common Frontier a Fact

Warsaw, Mar. 16. Patrols of Hungarian troops advancing through a blizzard raging in Ruthenia have reached the Polish border and were greeted by the Polish outposts. The common frontier desired by Poland and Hungary is thus an accomplished fact. The Hungarians declared that the waist-deep snow in the Carpathians delayed them. Larger bodies are expected to reach the frontier later to-day. Waiting Poles heartily cheered as the patrols appeared in blinding snow.—Reuter.

Complete Autonomy

Budapest, Mar. 16. Complete autonomy for Ruthenia was announced to-day by Count Cskay, Foreign Minister, who added that Ruthenia had twice asked Hungary for help and immediate occupation of the whole territory. The Hungarian forces are now proceeding to occupy Ruthenia and would restore the old frontiers of Hungary on the Carpathians. He hoped the occupation would be completed without bloodshed.—Reuter.

Father Volosin Safe

Sighets, Mar. 16. Father Volosin, Premier of Ruthenia, has arrived in Rumania as a refugee. Hungarian troops have occupied Chust.—Reuter.

SUPPER DANCE

C. B. A. Entertain In The Rose Room

There was an atmosphere of gaiety and conviviality at the supper dance and concert organized by the Central British Association and held at the Rose Room of the Peninsula Hotel last night.

Making her debut in the Colony, Mary Lachlan gave several vocal numbers, while Joyce Nash again delighted with several popular melodies on her guitar, ably supported by Fred Carpio, who played the Spanish guitar. A. K. Glickrist was in fine form in his display with the Indian clubs, and later demonstrated "Under the Spreading Chestnut Tree," together with "Tony" Scott.

Hongkong Governor's Announcement Welcomed

Chungking, Mar. 16. Mr. Chen Li-fu, Minister of Education, heartily welcomes the announcement of the appointment by the Governor of Hongkong, in his capacity as Chancellor of the University of the Hongkong Committee to make recommendations for development in the University along lines calculated to further relations, particularly cultural and educational, between China and the Colony.

At an interview to-day he stated that the University of Hongkong, with many years of distinguished standing, has contributed much towards the education of numerous outstanding personalities, as well as the furtherance of cultural co-operation and friendly relations between the Chinese and British peoples. During the war of resistance, he added, while the position of Hongkong has become increasingly important, the number of students in the University of Hongkong has increased. Since the commencement of hostilities the British Government and people have been rendering to the Chinese much assistance, both spiritual and material. This Committee will not only serve as a foundation for development of the University itself but contribute abundantly towards the friendship of the two nations of the East and West.—Reuter.

Reaction To Coup

WORLD'S CAPITALS SHOCKED

London, Mar. 16. Evidence of the severity of the shock caused by events yesterday is shown in many capitals.

The British press devotes almost as much to the subject as a single day's happenings during the September crisis and adopts an unrelieved accusatory tone towards Germany rarely seen in editorials before.

While the State Department in Washington refuses to comment on the situation, circles close to President Roosevelt claim that the events fully justified the President taking a serious view of the situation which some European circles considered alarmist.

The former Czech President, Dr. Edward Benes, described the dismemberment of Czechoslovakia as a "new and shocking international crime" through which Europe is going to be deprived of future peace, order and tranquillity.

Paris messages say it is felt there that Mr. Neville Chamberlain will now be all the more determined to pursue a policy of intensive rearmament, which course is considered the only salvation of France and Britain. M. Georges Bonnet, Foreign Minister, has told the Foreign Affairs Committee that he considered it time to keep close relations with Soviet Russia and Poland. He said he was in constant touch with the Soviet Ambassador, and Poland recently reaffirmed she would fulfil her obligations if France were attacked.—Reuter Special.

CZECHS IN LONDON

London, Mar. 16. The Czech Minister of Defence, General Sirovy, and the former Czech Prime Minister, M. Benes, were among the eleven Czech passengers who arrived at Croydon airport on Tuesday night according to the Daily Express this morning. The paper reports that both Ministers have been seen in London in the Czech Legation. It is assumed here that the group of Czech passengers whose identity has been closely guarded by the Foreign Office, also included several officials from the Skoda works with secret designs of the latest Czech gun construction.—Trans-Ocean.

FRANCE AND ENGLAND

Paris, Mar. 16. Government officials conferred all morning following a suggestion that M. Daladier should go to London next week for an urgent conference on the military and political aspects of the German invasion of Czechoslovakia.—United Press.

ECONOMIC EFFECTS

London, Mar. 16. The economic implication of the conquest of Czechoslovakia forms the principal subject of discussion in city circles. All agree on the tremendous advantages accruing to Germany by the absorption of considerable and highly efficient armaments properties, and actual arms which are estimated to be sufficient to equip 40 divisions in an up to date manner. Moreover, Germany obtains possession of £25,000,000 gold, apart from privately held internationally realisable assets probably totalling between £10,000,000 and £20,000,000. The international markets have to prepare for absorption of these assets.

A most important economic factor is believed to be the increase in labour and output reserves which should enable Germany to continue her credit expansion policy beyond the limits which appeared to have been reached prior to annexation. The other side of the medal is not to be ignored. A number of Czech industries used to be directly competitive with Germany, notably the locomotive and chemical industries. Furthermore the competitive position of Czech industries in the world market is bound to suffer if Germany carries out the intention of introducing marks into the conquered territory.

It is expected that the decrease in Czech exports will render it more difficult to provide foreign exchange for import of raw materials with which Czechoslovakia was singularly poorly provided. Further, another 1,850,000 spindles and 75,000 looms will be taken over which should result in some improvement in Lancashire's trade on the continent. Czechoslovakia used to export considerable quantities of yarns and cloths to European countries, especially Holland, at prices below that of Lancashire, which under the German financial system would be no longer possible.—Reuter.



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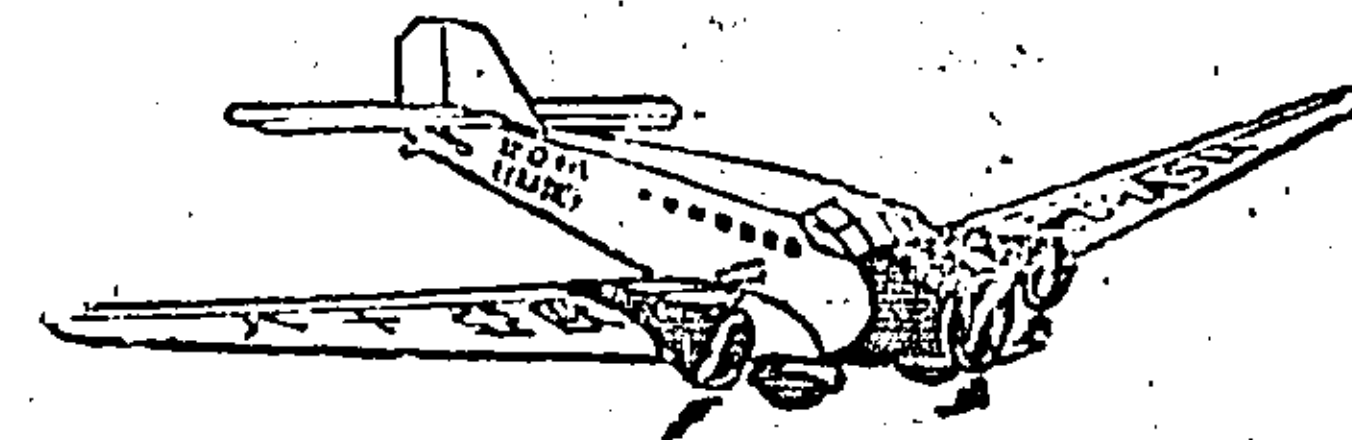
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NINE EVENTS ARRANGED FOR EXTRA MEETING

In Reality Continuation Of
The Annual Carnival

(By "Captain Foster")

The three important classic events of local racing have come and gone. We have all seen the easy win of Rose Elect in the Hongkong Derby, the brilliant achievements of Marksman as the best China sub-griffin of this season's batch, and the sparkling performance of Triumphant Day in the Rooty-Hill Derby.

It is a long stretch to the Spring of 1940, but it will no doubt be a source of satisfaction to racing enthusiasts to know that there is here at present a bunch of Russian dealers soliciting for orders or trying to sell China ponies for next year's racing. I have not heard of any transaction, but I have reason to believe that a few deals will be closed before the week is over. It therefore augurs well for 1940's prosperity.

Meanwhile, however, let us concentrate on the extra meetings of the Hongkong Jockey Club. Tomorrow's Gymkhana is the prelude to a series of six Extra Race Meetings before the recess. The First Extra Meeting to-morrow (saddling bell at 1.30 p.m.) is in reality a continuation of the Annual Carnival, for there are a few open races confined to Australian and China ponies that started at the big meeting and did not win.

PNIES TO BE CLASSIFIED

After to-morrow's racing, Australian and China ponies will be classified on Monday, March 20, provided application in writing is made by the owner or his authorised agent stating the names of the ponies for which classification is desired. At the discretion of owners is drawn to the fact that subsequent applications for classification or demotion must reach the Secretary not later than 48 hours before the time fixed for closing the entries for any Race Meeting. China ponies will be divided into "A", "B", "C", "D", and "E" classes, while the Australian ponies will be segregated into "A", "B", and "C" only.

The major portion of the programme of our extra meetings will be the usual handicap events for all classes among the Australian and China ponies and no doubt the

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champions will be subject to a severe test in the matter of conceding poundage. To-morrow the Tytam Handicap (two sections) confined to China ponies, subscription griffins of this season, is the first venture of the official handicapper's distribution of the lead and the gentleman in charge of handing out the weights has assigned 21 ponies in each section.

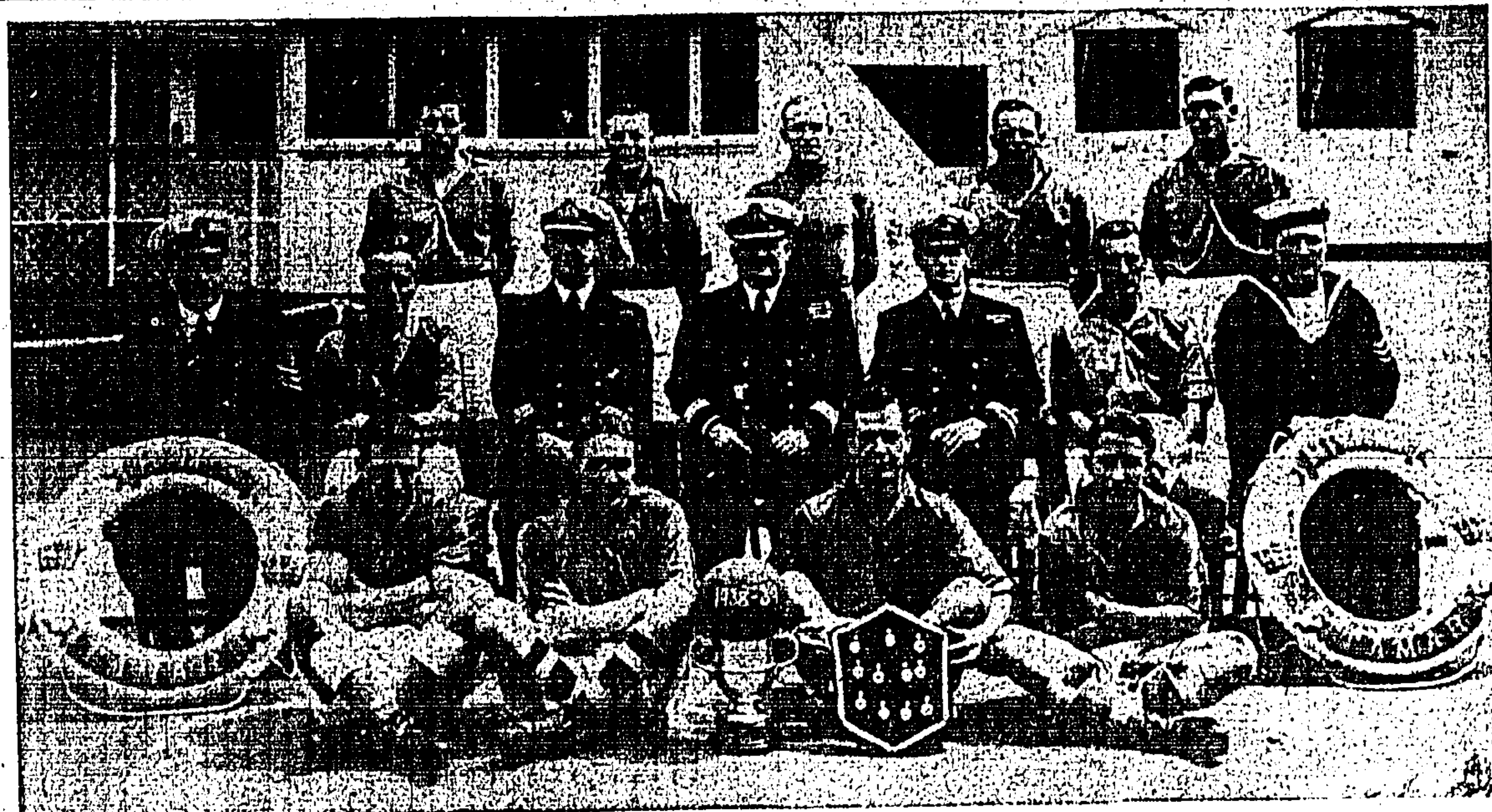
"Capt. Foster" Reviews Prospects Of Each Race

THE curtain raiser will be the Hay and Corn Sinks for China sub-griffins of any season that have started at least twice at the big session and have not won. It is a scramble from the 1½ mile post (about half mile 170 yards) and the sprint has attracted no less than 30 entries. We shall certainly see a large field and a lot of course depends upon the draw of positions. It is an interesting contest between the old stagers and the spring chickens of this season. Among the old timers Racing Boy has been nominated, but I am afraid the public will have seen his best days and it must not be forgotten that he is of the 1932 class. It is learned that Dekko, formerly owned by Mrs. Seth, is now the property of a syndicate and with that astute jockey Mr. Peter Wei in the saddle, Dekko has a sporting chance of collecting the first prize of £750. He ran well at the annual meeting and so did Double Chance. Meteor, belonging to Capt. Smith, is another from the old brigade and he is a road starter. Among the "ever-green" bunch of winners Fine and Kut Cheung are the only two entrants that will offer any opposition. My fancy, however, is Dekko.

VERY poor response has been received for the Lotteries' Stakes confined to non-winning Derby griffins and it is to be ridden by novices over a course of six furlongs. The contest could not draw more than a handful of entries and it is more than likely that all will accept. The starters and jockeys are as follows:
Avon Mr. G. Trevorton
Blue Diamond Mr. A. F. D. Coulson
Jennifer Mr. K. I. Ip
Peaceful View Mr. K. I. Ip
The Flame Mr. Ho Tung-ping

Much was expected of Jennifer at the Spring meeting, but the chestnut flapper was under a cloud after running a good second behind Hyndford Bridge in the Black Rock Stakes on the second day and the mare never appeared in public again. She is back on the course and was given a slow canter over six furlongs last Saturday. Her legs stood out well and I therefore like her for the Lotteries Stakes. The real danger is Peaceful View, and Avon should fill the third position in the frame.

THE champion sub-griffin, Marksman, and Celtic Star will not be seen in action to-morrow as the owners have wisely decided to give their chargers a few days' rest. As a result Musketeer, the winner of the Valley Stakes, holds the post of honour in the Tytam Handicap (first section) over a mile and incidentally the event is the first leg of the daily double. He is a three pound pony better than Orange Boven and then follows Portulac to see Musketeer follow up the handicapper's line of conduct and on top of this Musketeer has only two public outings, the second occasion losing to Celtic Star by a short head in the Exchange Plate, which was a fast and distance run from the two mile post, once round and in. It may not be known that the last mile of the classic event (presented by the Bankers and Exchange Brokers of Hongkong) was covered in 2.01.2 and it was after this exhilarating performance that a veterinary surgeon was summoned to see Musketeer. However, the "lay off" was not of a serious nature and he is as fit as his trainer can make him. Mr. Wei has his legs over the animal last Wednesday and I certainly give my vote to Musketeer to win the Tytam Handicap. Several placed runners have been kindly treated and the low weights may spring a surprise. Chatterbox, who was one of the favourites for the Valley Stakes, is nicely weighted and Starlot, the holder of the biggest dividend, has not been given much lead. The latter is worth a look way for a long shot. Kut Cheung, Millicent, Phoenix, Tidy Tim and



Soccer players from H.M.S. Tamar, winners of the China Fleet Football League, Division II, during the 1938-39 season in Hongkong. Officers of the ship are seated in the middle row.—Photo by A. Hing.

LEN HARVEY REGAINS BRITISH

Blackburn Rovers Beat Luton

London, Mar. 16.
Two matches in the Second Division of the English Football League were played to-day, the results being as follows:
Norwich 1 Newcastle 1
Blackburn 2 Luton 0
—Reuter.

Wild Bear are dangerous to upset the applicant.

I HAVE not been able to ascertain whether Rose Elect will accept the Hongkong Handicap (first section) over the champion course, but should the Derby winner refuse, the handicapper has framed an alternative allotment of weights. Desert Chief would then be carrying the limit of 168 lbs. against Bear Claw, who has been given 148 lbs. and King's Warden has to carry 153 lbs. But the latter two may start in the All Out Stakes and in the circumstance Desert Chief will have an easy passage in the Hongkong Handicap.

IN the second leg of the daily double which is on the Tytam Handicap (second section) over 7 miles, we have a long list of subscription griffins from whom to find the winner. By virtue of his win in the Newcomers' Plate at Fanning last Sunday, Tiger Eyes has incurred a penalty of 7 lbs. and I doubt very much whether the pony will face the start. However, with the exception of Haddon and Avalon who were officially fourth in the Kaigan Plate and Nil Desperandum Stakes (first section) respectively, the remaining 18 China ponies finished among the "Also Rans" at the annual race meeting. Green Bay (Mr. Wei) and Haddon (Mr. Heurnel) are looked after by Mr. Dunbar's Russian trainer and the latter is undoubtedly a better animal. The champion jockey, I understand, has the option of Ascot Vale or Smiling Time, but I have not been able to find out which one Mr. Encarnacion is going to ride. I prefer Smiling Time as he has come on nicely. Avalon with Mr. P. Botelho is about due for a win, but please do not overlook Lambeth Bridge who will be piloted by Mr. Needa. Patriotic Day is not a bad outsider.

THE inclusion of Gladiator and Jobber in the second section of the Hongkong Handicap over the champion course has set a fascinating problem. I have not seen Jobber lately, but he ran a good fourth behind Wild Life, Rob Roy and New Star in the Charter Cup over 1¼ miles and on that running Jobber should be well up at the finish. Although Gladiator is looking extremely well, I am inclined to believe that he is still short of a gallop. Boolah has been asked to give 7 lbs. to Tampa Bay and the former can do without any trouble. Rose and as the jockey, Mr. C. Encarnacion cannot get down to the weight, the mare's chance does not look very rosy.

THE wonderful comeback of Snowy River at the Annual Carnival has not been lost on the official handicapper who has ranked the mare as the best Australian pony in the Moonie Ponds Handicap for non-winners over a mile. Snowy River is a small animal measuring 14.1 and as the mare has been allotted 162 lbs., this means that she has to carry a penalty of 18 lbs. It is pretty tough for her to concede poundage to Double Finesse who is in the pink of condition. The former will not be ridden by Mr. Wei who has been booked to pilot Double

EMPIRE TITLE: GAINS RETIRES UNINTERESTING FIGHT AT HARRINGAY ARENA

London, Mar. 16.

At the Harringay Arena to-night in a disappointing fight which was interspersed with impatient hand-clapping and whistling, a crowd of 8,000 saw Len Harvey winning nearly every round of his fight with Larry Gains, thus regaining the British Empire heavyweight championship which he lost to Jack Petersen in 1934.

The 37-year-old Canadian negro, who was badly battered, retired at the end of the 13th round with two badly-cut eyes. Only the referee's untiring effort made the men break and prevented a fiasco.

There was too much clinching and, always, however, the fight appeared to be a battle of wits between two veteran masters of ringcraft. This was undoubtedly responsible for the slow tempo; only occasional flashes of action were seen.

HARVEY CONFIDENT

Harvey, boxing confidently, landed almost as he pleased with stinging right swings and repeatedly jabbed his left in Gains' face. Gains was cumbersome and slow and was unable to counter Harvey's attack, but must be credited with the success of slowing down the fight, frustrating Harvey's efforts to tire him out.

The Cornishman was generally the aggressor and scored with vicious right hooks. He opened a cut under

Gains' left eye in the eighth round, and further damaged the eye with a vicious right swing in the 11th. Gains' right eye was injured in the 12th and 13th. Harvey, with relentless punching, drew blood from Gains' eye and nose, and the negro wisely retired at the end of the 13th round.

GAINS HEAVIER

Harvey turned the scales at 13 st. 2lbs. at the weighing-in this afternoon. This was his heaviest fighting weight in his whole career. Gains weighed 14 st. 5lbs. Both men looked extremely fit but there was a sharp contrast in their demeanour. Harvey was smiling and confident, while Gains was dejected and nervous.

Harvey was a 3/1 favourite.—Reuter.

DON BRADMAN MISSES 1,000 RUNS

Sydney, Mar. 16.
For the first time in 10 full seasons of first-class cricket in Australia, Don Bradman has failed to complete 1,000 runs for the season. Bradman had only seven innings, and this fact had something to do with the phenomenon.

Rain and Victoria's new off-spin bowler, Frank Thorn, combined to deprive Don Bradman of the opportunity of reaching 1,000 runs in the match in Adelaide when it was washed out.

The fact is surprising, in view of Bradman's remarkable run of success in earlier matches, which consisted of the Melbourne Cricket Club's century match and the interstate fixtures.

Up to the commencement of the match against Victoria in Adelaide, Bradman's scores this season were:

Finesse and the change in the double has to be considered. Double Finesse is a good miler and it looks to me that Snowy River will have to play the second fiddle. Critical is nicely in on the handicap and the Centre Court (Mr. S. W. Tang) does not appear to me that she will upset any calculations, but Stratherrick, who has only 144 lbs. to shoulder, is certainly good for big money.

118, 143, 225, 107, 166, and 135 not out. Thus, with only this match remaining, he required 68 runs, 153.16 average.

Only once before had Bradman failed to reach 1,000 runs in first-class cricket in an Australian season. That was in 1927-8, when he first played for New South Wales. He appeared in only five of the six Sheffield Shield matches, and his aggregate was 410.

Bradman did not play in the 1934-5 season; but in all his other nine seasons he has topped 1,000 runs. His highest total was 1,690 runs—a record for an Australian first-class season—in 1928-9.

Bradman has this season—his average of 153.16 this season is his best in Australia.—Reuter.

TOURISTS IN MANILA

Manila, Mar. 16.
The Singapore Chinese footballers arrived here to-day, and are scheduled to leave for Hongkong on the President Coolidge early April, after the series of matches arranged in Manila. They commence tomorrow night against the "All Manila No. 2" team.—United Press.

Champion Nearly Drops Set TENNIS TIES AT H.K.C.C.

(By "Abe")

The Tsui brothers, who now occupy the top positions in local tennis with as much distinction as the Rumjahn have done in the past, were both seen in action in the singles of the Colony Tennis Championship at the Hongkong Cricket Club yesterday afternoon.

While Tsui Yun-pui won with consummate ease in the first round with Wan Tze-sam, the elder Tsui, who holds the singles title, nearly dropped a set in his game with Chin Chi-keung, a former champion of the Club.

The champion won the first set easily enough, but this was due not so much to his own brilliance as to the many mistakes made by his opponent. Chan took a long time to settle down, and before he found his touch in the second set he was prone to over-hit. This, coupled with his inability to get his first service in, was mainly responsible for his loss of the first set without taking a game. However, he improved to a great extent in the second set and was better able to maintain the rallies, some of which were very good indeed. He got in some forceful drives on the forehand and followed up with crisp volleys at the net. Though he was passed on several occasions, he was not discouraged. From a deficit of 2-4 in this set he pulled up with such determination that he actually led 5-4 and had set point once. But he missed his opportunity, and the champion, fighting back relentlessly and cutting down his mistakes to a minimum, finally won the set and the match in the twelfth game. Nevertheless it was typical of Chan's play in the later stages that he saved four match points before succumbing.

WEARS OUT OPPONENT

Another interesting match played yesterday was that between Szeto Bick and J. W. Leonard. The tie went to three sets before the latter, because of his better lasting power, won.

Usually a hard-hitter, Szeto embarked on a new plan of campaign for this match; he played Leonard at his own game. In the first set it seemed that Szeto's policy would pay in the end, for he won the first set with the loss of only one game. He placed his shots extremely well

Results Of Matches Played Yesterday

The following were the results of matches played yesterday:

OPEN SINGLES

Tsui Wai-pui (holder) beat Chan Chi-keung 6-0, 7-5.
Tsui Yun-pui beat Wan Tze-sam 6-1, 6-1.
J. M. A. Razack beat O. Rumjahn 6-3, 6-3.
J. W. Leonard beat B. Szeto 1-6, 6-2, 6-3.
Chan Kam-moon beat Tsoi Ping-fan 6-3, 6-4.

and made Leonard run around the court with drives to the side-lines, interspersed with drop shots which sent his opponent scurrying up to the net.

But thereafter he was not nearly so good. He lost his accuracy of placements and on a few occasions had recourse to hard-hitting, which was countered with phlegmatic steadiness.

Better players than Szeto have had a taste of Leonard's tenacity in the championships in the past. He was not the first to be worn down by deceptively slow returns which could not be put away without risk of losing the point.

Gradually Leonard gained the ascendancy and won the first set after eight games. The third set was but a repetition of the second; both players were striving to eliminate mistakes and there were many long rallies with little brilliant play.

TO-DAY'S PROGRAMME

The following are the matches down for decision to-day:

Open Singles

S. A. Rumjahn v. N. L. Evans
Open Doubles
Major F. C. Nottingham and Capt. R. D. Locky v. Lt. D. C. Mura and Lt. S. M. Arnel

from May 1, and will be taken over by Hurlingham Club as polo's headquarters.—Reuter.

Budge Beat Vines By 22 To 17

Montreal.
Donald Budge beat Ellsworth Vines 6/2, 6/2, 6/3, in the final match of the professional lawn tennis tour and won the series by 22 matches to 17.

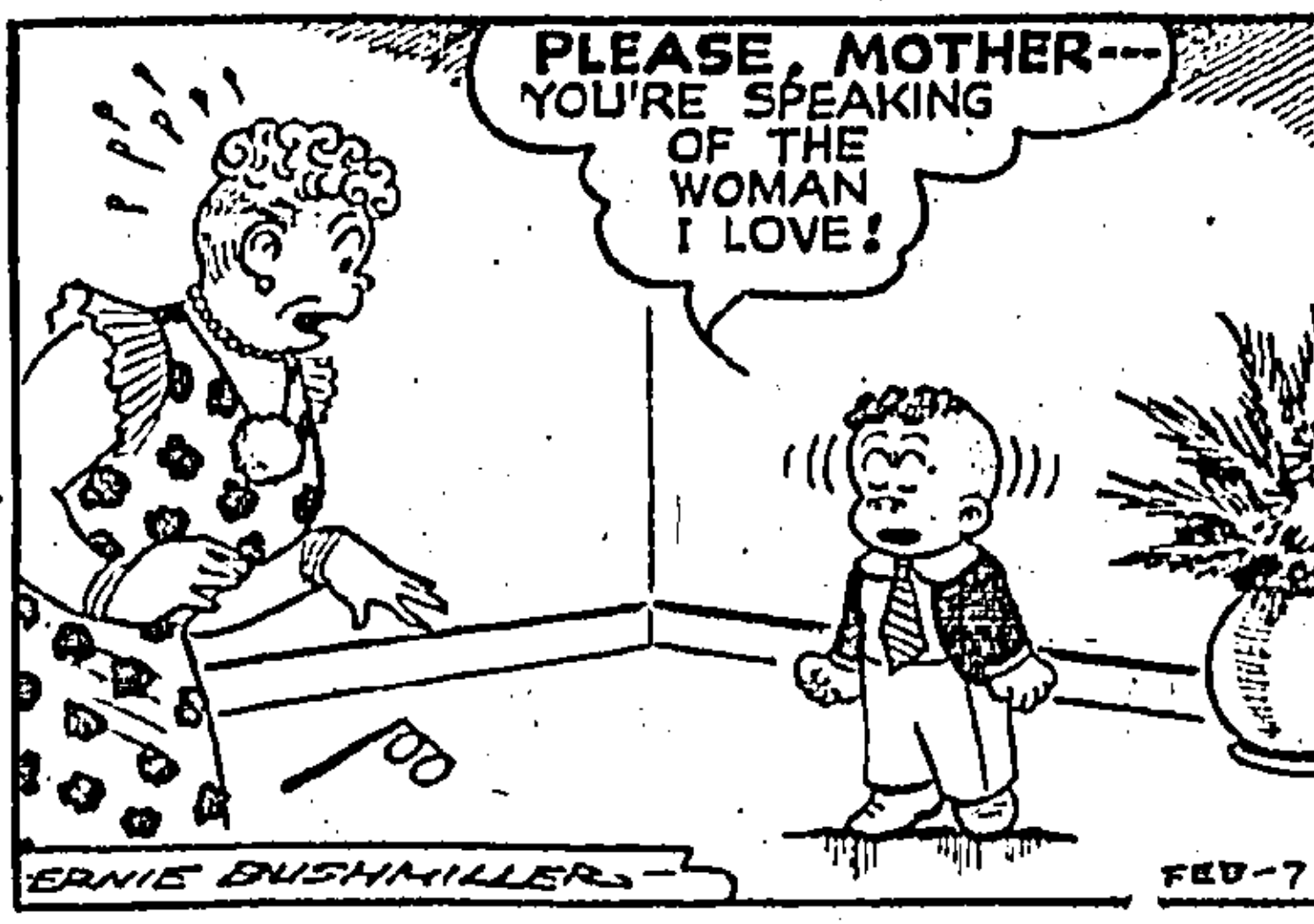
Fate Of Ranelagh Polo Grounds

London.
The famous Ranelagh polo, sporting and social grounds beside the Thames ceases as a separate entity

NANCY



By Ernie Bushmiller



AUSTRALIA CONFIDENT OF SUCCESS IN DAVIS CUP COMPETITION

Norman Brookes Thinks America Will Be Beaten

With a Davis Cup team composing of John Bromwich, Adrian Quist and Jack Crawford, Australia, as last year, are likely to be America's challengers at Philadelphia in September, says A. Wallis Myers in the *Daily Telegraph*.

The Australian President, Mr. Norman Brookes, with characteristic boldness, is reported to have said that the odds in favour of a Commonwealth victory are 3 to 1. This, of course, is far too sanguine an estimate. It is not even 3 to 1 that Australia will survive the eliminating contest.

Japan, added by Jiro Yamagishi, may spoil the Australians' chances. Last year, Bromwich and Quist had a narrow escape at Montreal. The Australians are under no delusions about the calibre of Yamagishi.

The Americans have selected a new ground for the Challenge round. The Merion courts, at Haverford, which is a sylvan outpost of Philadelphia, do not possess the traditions of Germantown, where many great battles for the Davis Cup have been waged, but their turf is much superior and should prove none of the heartburnings over false bounds which both teams experienced last year.

Moreover, since neither Philadelphia ground has permanent stands, it will cost no more to erect accommodation for 10,000 spectators at the new venue.

The Americans will also have to choose a new defending team, for, of course, they have lost their pivotal champion, Donald Budge. Mr. Brookes evidently thinks that his withdrawal to "another place" is almost a guarantee of victory for the Australian invaders. Has he over-

looked the fact that in the last American championship Bromwich did not win a set against Mako, nor Quist win more than one set against Brian Grant?

DEFENSIVE METHODS

Neither Mako nor Grant may be chosen for the singles this year, but the American team-builders are not likely to forget that both the Australians prefer the fast strokes which Australian turf invites, and are less happy against the shrewd defensive methods and the pawky shots that men of the Grant school employ.

If ranking rules the selection, as it usually does in the States, Robert Higgs will be the first choice for the singles, and the second place will be between Mako and Sydney Wood. Higgs and Wood are the better all-court players, and both have superior services to Mako and Grant.

The fact remains that the Australians would prefer to oppose the first two, and either Bromwich or Quist can beat Higgs on a true grass court, and one of them is likely to beat Wood.

POSSIBLE INCLUSION OF SABIN

There are many possible combina-

SCHOOLS CRICKET

A weakened Central British School team were beaten by the Diocesan Boys' School by 113 runs in a cricket match played on the latter's ground on Wednesday. The D.B.S. batted first and lost F. J. Lay and J. Fisher early, but D. Cray hit lustily to good effect, and, assisted by G. Kew and Chung Sou-kun, the D.B.S. declared at 159 for 7 wickets.

The scores were:

| DIOCESAN SCHOOL | | | |
|----------------------------------|------------|--|--|
| F. Lay, b. Pryde | 7 | | |
| J. Fisher, b. Pryde | 12 | | |
| D. Cray, c. Brown, b. Saunders | 60 | | |
| G. Kew, c. Maffan, b. Saunders | 25 | | |
| J. Moseley, b. Brown | 2 | | |
| J. Fenton, c. Saunders, b. Brown | 1 | | |
| W. Chin, not out | 35 | | |
| Chung Sou-kun, not out | 35 | | |
| Extras | 1 | | |
| Total | 159 | | |

C. Whitfield and L. R. Burch did not bat.

| Bowling Analysis | | | |
|------------------|----|---|----|
| Hurley | 0 | M | 1 |
| Pryde | 10 | 1 | 41 |
| Saunders | 7 | 1 | 23 |
| Brown | 9 | 1 | 39 |

| CENTRAL BRITISH | | | |
|-------------------------------------|------------|--|--|
| W. G. Pryde, b. Chung | 18 | | |
| Brown, et. Lay, b. Burch | 10 | | |
| A. Ogell, c. Fenton, b. Chung | 11 | | |
| V. Lockhart, b. Cray | 11 | | |
| E. Hurley, c. Lay, b. Chung | 10 | | |
| K. Maffan, b. Cray | 10 | | |
| G. Saunders, c. and b. Burch | 10 | | |
| B. Laburn, not out | 10 | | |
| D. Maffan, not out | 10 | | |
| C. Osborne, c. Hutchinson, b. Burch | 10 | | |
| L. Jernakoff, b. Burch | 10 | | |
| Extras | 10 | | |
| Total | 146 | | |

| Bowling Analysis | | | |
|------------------|----|---|----|
| Cray | 0 | M | 1 |
| Chung | 10 | 1 | 19 |
| Burch | 2 | 0 | 6 |
| Hutchinson | 2 | 0 | 6 |

tions for the defending doubles team. Even Budge and Mako were not invulnerable. At the present time America have no pair of outstanding calibre, but in W. R. Sabin they have a really great doubles player, and it will be to the advantage of Australia if he is not added to the Davis Cup squad.

As the European zone with its 20 competing nations, the draw suggests that Yugoslavia, who have a compact team, will be one of the finalists. For the other place there are three likely candidates—Germany, France and Great Britain.



Katharine Hepburn brings her talents to the King's Theatre to-morrow in Columbia's "Holiday," in which she co-stars with Cary Grant. This is said to be one of the finest films of the year.

Rifle Shooting

V. Hammond Just Misses "Century"

A dull light, which affected the shooting at 600 yards, and a very light breeze were experienced at the Wednesday Spoon and Practice Shoot. Some good scores were recorded, but the coveted century was not obtained.

L/Cpl. Hammond of the H.K.V.D.C. won the Nett Spoon with a very fine 98, having bad luck in dropping one point with his last shot at 300 yards for a possible and also for his century. He was closely followed by Sgt. Russell and Sgt. Mackie with 98. The latter's holiday in the Japanese Alps seems to have done him good as he obtained a possible at 500 yards.

Lt. Dawson of the Middlesex, Sgt. Tomlinson of the R.S.C., and Sgt. Russell of the Police obtained handicap spoons. L/Cpl. Langford once again took the Nett Spoon in the S.I. (a) Class with a score of 98, although C.S.M. Maslen of the R.E. also had the same score but was beaten on the long range. The latter, however, put on a possible at 500 yards. A.C.2. Jeffrey of the R.A.F. won a handicap spoon. The other S.R. (a) handicap spoons went to L/Cpl. Holdford of the Middlesex, Spr. Pemberton of the R.E.'s, and Sgt. Singleton of the R.A.O.C.

Members are reminded about the facilities for shooting at Stonecutters on Saturdays. This is entirely made up of the courtesy of the R.N. Staff Stonecutters. Primarily, when targets are available for the Association, accommodation is given to those members who cannot get out to Kowloon on Wednesdays. Other members wishing to go should get in touch with the Hon. Secretary about noon each Friday.

The programme for the Prize Meeting will be sent out on Monday, March 20. Anyone desirous of a copy and who has not already communicated with his own Club Secretary should notify his requirements to the Hon. Secretary in writing.

Shooting next week will be at 200, 600, and 800 yards. On Wednesday March 29, S.R. (a) will be shooting on "B" Range at 200, 500, and 800 yards, and the S.R. (b) on "A" Range at 600, 700, and 800 yards. There will be no shooting on Wednesday, April 12. Programme for the Sunday Shoot, March 26, will be issued shortly.

Targets for Revolver Practice will be available each Wednesday and Sunday until the Prize Meeting.

Leading scores of the Wednesday Shoot were as follows:

| S.R. (b) | 300 | 600 | 800 | Tot. |
|-----------------------|-----|-----|-----|------|
| L/Cpl. V. M. Hammond | 29 | 33 | 36 | 98 |
| Sgt. L. J. B. Mackie | 29 | 33 | 36 | 98 |
| Sgt. F. Russell | 29 | 33 | 36 | 98 |
| Mr. A. J. Boulton | 29 | 33 | 36 | 98 |
| Lt. A. J. Le Seclieur | 29 | 33 | 36 | 98 |
| Cpl. F. C. C. Gush | 29 | 33 | 36 | 98 |
| Cpl. S. E. Brown | 29 | 33 | 36 | 98 |
| C/Sgt. P. Hale | 29 | 33 | 36 | 98 |
| Sgt. P. G. Heather | 29 | 33 | 36 | 98 |
| Const. J. R. Hill | 29 | 33 | 36 | 98 |
| P.O. C. Clark | 29 | 33 | 36 | 98 |

OUR SPELLING BEE (see page 7) holocaust—houghend—homenage—hassoon—assayer—elbston or ribstone

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|----------------------|-----|-----|-----|------|
| Pte. H. Dry (nil.) | 26 | 34 | 29 | 89 |
| C.P.O. F. J. Davey | 29 | 32 | 29 | 90 |
| P.C. Charan Singh | 29 | 32 | 34 | 95 |
| Sgt. V. Cooper | 29 | 32 | 33 | 94 |
| Sgt. N. Evansville | 29 | 32 | 31 | 92 |
| Sgt. C. C. Chau | 29 | 32 | 27 | 88 |
| Sgt. W. K. K. (nil.) | 29 | 31 | 31 | 91 |
| Sgt. F. Cole | 29 | 31 | 30 | 90 |
| Capt. R. T. Gussott | 29 | 32 | 30 | 91 |
| Sgt. R. A. Neale | 29 | 32 | 27 | 88 |
| Sgt. C. G. Tomlinson | 29 | 32 | 30 | 91 |
| (S.R. (a)) | 300 | 600 | 800 | Tot. |
| L/Cpl. R. Langford | 29 | 33 | 36 | 98 |
| C.S.M. F. G. Maslen | 29 | 33 | 36 | 98 |
| Sgt. S. P. Aquino | 29 | 33 | 36 | 98 |
| Sgt. F. Tollison | 29 | 33 | 36 | 98 |
| L/Cpl. C. Holdford | 29 | 33 | 36 | 98 |
| Mr. F. C. C. (nil.) | 29 | 33 | 36 | 98 |
| Lt. W. Nunn | 29 | 33 | 36 | 98 |
| Spr. G. Pemberton | 29 | 33 | 36 | 98 |
| Sgt. M. B. P. (nil.) | 29 | 33 | 36 | 98 |
| S.S.M. W. Steel | 29 | 33 | 36 | 98 |
| Sgt. J. H. Singleton | 29 | 33 | 36 | 98 |
| Sgt. M. B. P. (nil.) | 29 | 33 | 36 | 98 |
| L/Cpl. W. Ure | 29 | 33 | 36 | 98 |
| Sgt. A. W. Dwyer | 29 | 33 | 36 | 98 |
| Sgt. Humphreys | 29 | 33 | 36 | 98 |
| L.A.C. J. Berry | 29 | 33 | 36 | 98 |
| Spr. F. H. Thong | 29 | 33 | 36 | 98 |
| Spr. F. C. C. (nil.) | 29 | 33 | 36 | 98 |
| A.C.1. W. J. Gash | 29 | 33 | 36 | 98 |
| Spr. C. S. Runary | 29 | 33 | 36 | 98 |
| Sgt. A. A. Townsend | 29 | 33 | 36 | 98 |
| A.C.2. R. K. Jeffrey | 29 | 33 | 36 | 98 |
| Dmr. R. Smith | 29 | 33 | 36 | 98 |

(1) denotes winner of the "Handicap" Spoon.
(P) denotes winner of the "Possible" Button.
N.B. Winner of (N) or (P) spoon has his handicap reduced by one point.

SPORT ADVTS

THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB.

THE FIRST EXTRA RACE MEETING will be held (weather permitting) at HAPPY VALLEY on SATURDAY, 18th March, 1939, commencing at 2.00 p.m.

The First Bell will be rung at 1.30 p.m.

MEMBERS' ENCLOSURE

No One without a badge will be admitted to the Members' Enclosure. Such must be worn throughout the duration of each meeting in such a manner as to be readily identified.

Badges admitting Non-Members to the Members' Enclosure and Club Rooms at \$5.00 for Gentlemen and \$3.00 for Ladies (both including tax) are obtainable through the SECRETARY upon the personal or written application of a Member, such Member to be responsible for all visitors introduced by him, and for Payment of all Chits, etc.

The Secretary's Office, 1st Floor, Exchange Building (Tel. 27704), will close at 12 NOON.

Tifins are obtainable at the Club House provided they are ordered in advance from the No. 1 Boy (Tel. 21920).

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The price of Admission to the Public Enclosure is \$1.00 including Tax, for all Persons, including Ladies, and is payable at the Gate. Soldiers and Sailors in Uniform are admitted Half Price.

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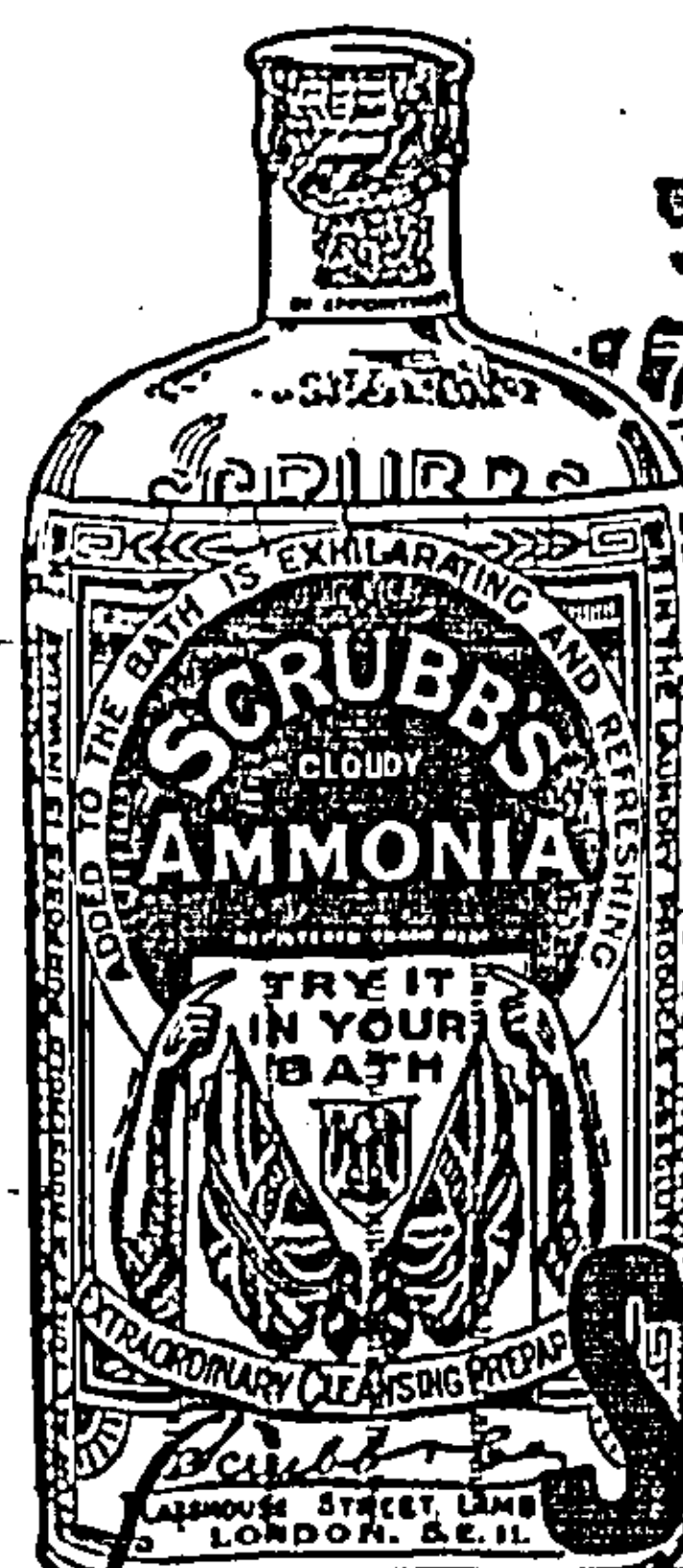


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Nowadays cod liver oil becomes a condiment of cookery rather than an item in the medicine chest

DOCTORS frequently prescribe cod liver oil in winter for a quick feed-up after illness. This is largely because it is so rich in Vitamin D—the "sunshine Vitamin."

For practical purposes this Vitamin is present largely in liver, egg yolk, oily fish, and fish oils. Here we can regard herrings and tinned salmon as useful items on the menu.

For many reasons cod and halibut liver oils present the simplest and most convenient solution, particularly with children, but planning is one thing and application another, and the old time "spooning" is nauseating to many.

Cook Turns Doctor

Nowadays cod liver oil becomes an item of diet and a condiment of cookery, rather than provender of the medicine chest. For different dishes there are high potency oils that, prepared by brisk processing, have little or no odour. These are applied by drop instead of spoonful, so

they play their part without noticeably proclaiming themselves.

The safest way to camouflage cod liver oil is to use it in fish-based dishes. Here are a few recipes that recently got by an unsuspecting family:

Vinaigrette

Hors d'œuvres and certain vegetables for adults can be dressed with the following:

One tablespoon of vinegar or strained lemon juice, 1½ table-spoon of olive oil, ½ table-spoon of cod liver oil, salt, mustard, solution, particularly with children, but planning is one thing and application another, and the old time "spooning" is nauseating to many.

Blend the salt, pepper and mustard with the sugar in a basin. Stir in the oils, then beat in the vinegar or lemon juice, and use immediately.

Herring and potato salad, green salads, cooked sprouts or sliced tomatoes take up this dressing well, to accompany fishy items on the hors d'œuvres dish.

For Fish Cutlets

Fortunately, Vitamin D is not destroyed by heat, so there are

If They Can't Take It

BY ANN MARVEL

various ways open in cookery. For instance, a Panada base for fish cutlets.

Take 1oz. of butter or vitaminized margarine, 1oz. of flour, 1 gill of milk or fish stock, and make a roux with fat and flour, honeycombing for a time in the usual way. Add liquid and cook the sauce, then add the flaked fish or chopped flesh of shell fish (such as lobster or crab), ten drops of high potency oil and a measure of anchovy or chosen flavouring.

Form up on a plate to set and make into cutlets and coat for frying in the ordinary way. If liked, serve an oil-dressed sauce as accompaniment.

Mock Mayonnaise

A mock mayonnaise for coating fish salads, made from a base of ½-pint of white cooking sauce, with one dessertspoon of

dry mustard, added to the flour is soon converted after boiling by the following items—one dessertspoon cod liver oil, one table-spoon vinegar and a small measure of sugar. A table-spoon of evaporated milk or cream is an improvement.

Use this for blending and coating well seasoned be-gher-kined and becapered fish mixtures. Garnish if you like with green salad previously dressed in the special vinaigrette.

An egg salad with sardine or anchovy accompaniment is equally successful, or a Russian salad including anchovies offers excellent value.

Fish Sauce

The following is an excellent recipe for fish sauce.

"Put into a small pan 1 table-spoon of cod liver oil, ½ oz. of flour, salt, pepper and a little anchovy essence. Heat slightly. Add to this ½ pint of milk (off the boil), stir till boiling."

Planned to accompany boiled, steamed, or baked fish, it is reckoned that one table-spoonful offers from forty to two hundred units of Vitamin D, according to the potency of the oil used. Restaurant servings are reckoned at one table-spoonful, though probably home helpings would approximate to more.

Once on the way, it is an easy transition from salads and sauces to other forms of fish cookery. Mayonnaise, built up from three parts of salad oil to one of cod liver oil seasoned and flavoured with Worcester sauce is a rich but effective medium, while fish oil added to baked or coating batters, soups, pasty fillings or savouries can be equally successful.

How Do You Wash?

Do you know that very few women use their toilet soap correctly? There would be a great many clearer skins about if women took as much care and pride in "laundering" their faces and necks as they do with their clothes.

The washing of the face and neck should be as serious and careful an affair as that of the finest linen. The usual way in which some women dab a little water and soap on the skin, and the still more casual way of which they profess to wash this face and neck, is a fine art to do, directly makes for harsh and muddy skin.

No complexion can be kept well without both cream and soap. Pay respect to both. You know, of course, that only a bad painter will repaint some woodwork without first religiously scraping off the old paint, and the skin must be similarly kept up. And here is now to do that. First of all, choose a reliable make of soap. This should not be difficult, for there are many such on the market. Soap-making is a fine art to do, directed by men well versed in chemistry.

Making the Skin Silky

Don't scamp the washing. Allow sufficient time for the operation. It is as important as massage. The first thing to do is to grease the skin a little. This helps to make the skin silky. If, however, your skin is very greasy, you do not need this greasing. Use olive oil for the greasing. Rub a little well in all over your face and neck, then wipe it all off with tissues. Now you are ready for actual washing.

Wet the face in warm water. Now take plenty of soap on your palms and rub the lather all over every portion of the skin, rubbing well into the crevices at the side of the face and in the chin, rub the cheeks and neck as they do with their clothes. Do all this lengthily, to get the dirt out, then wash off most of the soap, and proceed to do the same to your neck.

Now fill the bowl with fresh water. As regards the temperature of this water, this should be guided by your own reactions. Cold water is good, but if it makes your nose blue, then you are not able to stand it, and you must use water with the temperature of the room.

Having filled the bowl afresh, proceed to rinse the skin again thoroughly. Rinse until every vestige of soap is off every vestige of skin. Keep your skin clean under your soap is off and the fingers drag on the skin. Do the same to the neck.

Now dry very well, all over. Don't leave your skin the slightest bit damp; it is bad for the circulation. Besides, brisk rubbing makes the skin healthy. You will see an improvement even after one wash like this, and, if you persevere, you will—never—find cause to complain about looking "grubby."

Having washed thus, you can then proceed with an easy mind to the employment of your favourite beauty aids, knowing that nourishment and recreation always have better effect on a clean and healthy ground.

Ann Morno

CLEANING HINTS

MARKS made on the pile of carpets by heavy furniture may be rubbed by holding the spout of steam-iron bottles over them.

Never wet lacquer trays. Polish with sour milk and olive oil, and the surface will come up like new.

To clean rush mats or cocoa matting, wash vigorously with a cloth dampened with salted water. This method not only cleans the matting, but it helps to prolong their wear.

A. W.

A Sink Table

A SIMPLE way of preparing vegetables quickly and cleanly is to have a small table with holes in it, which slips into the sink. All that is needed is a wooden slab about half an inch thick, screwed or nailed on to four short legs. The top should have several holes drilled into it. This allows the water to drain off.

The vegetables are prepared over the sink table, with running water cleansing them, while the hands are less likely to be stained, and the peelings can easily and quickly be gathered from the table top and disposed of.

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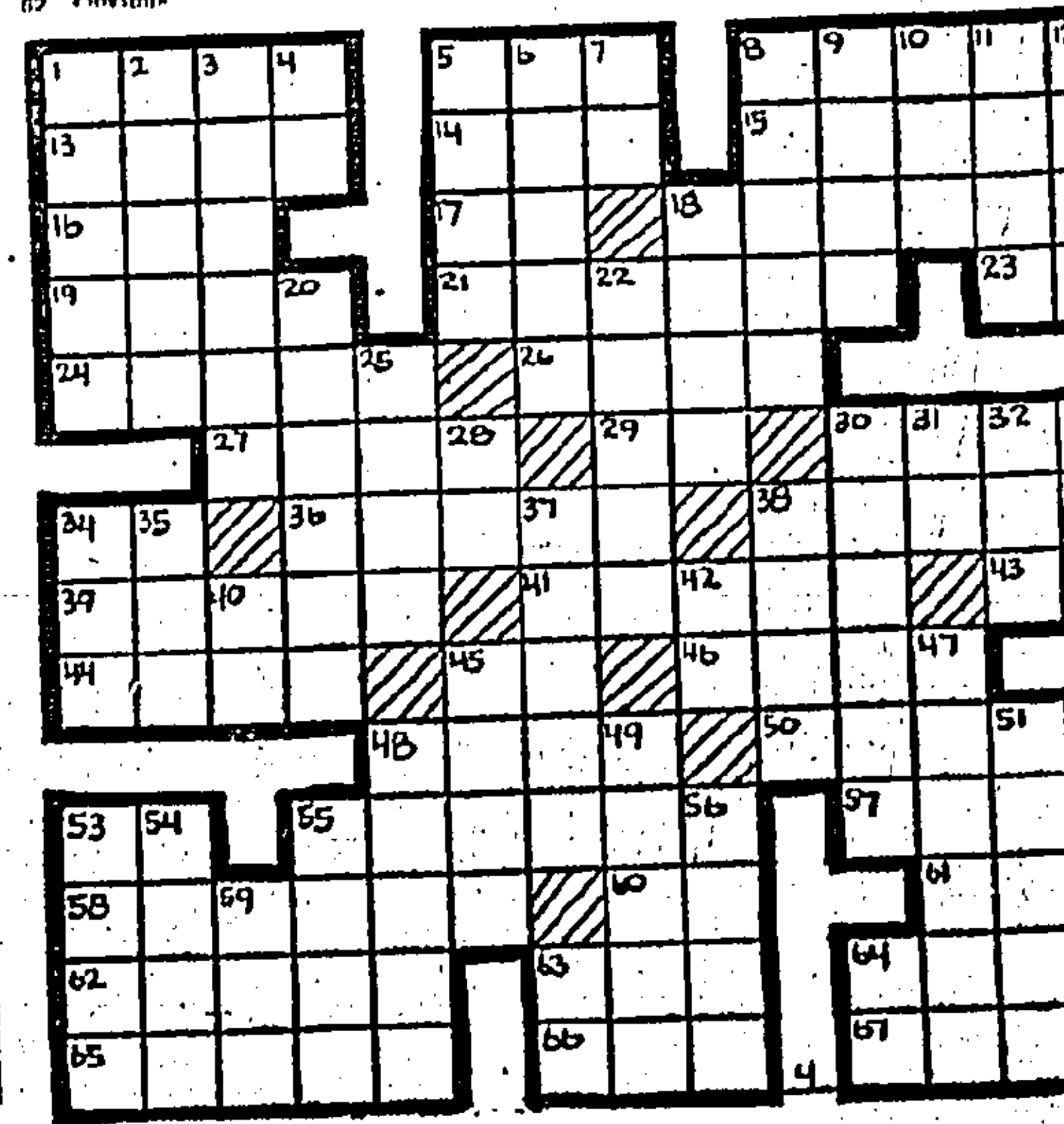
Crossword Puzzle

By LARS MORRIS

ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE

ACROSS
1-Transaction
2-Pure
3-Gravely out
13-Drinks
14-Dead noise
15-Enlight
16-Blue
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18-Not obvious
19-Over
20-Painful
21-Defeat
22-Cluttered
23-Heavenly money
24-Silly fabric
25-Cloot up
26-Whitewash
27-Forward
28-Whitish
29-Sing
30-Jump
31-Command for silence
32-Hunting bird
33-Christmas
34-Having tiny opening
35-Chinese mile
36-Dead
37-Whetstone

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Shown here is a version of the classic two-piece suit, combining check jacket with plain skirt. Note the length of the jacket, the fitted waistline and the four pockets placed at an extreme slant. Also, the high, collarless dress neckline. The skirt is pleated in front.

ST. ANDREW'S MEMBER Mrs. R. Baldwin Departs For England

Regrettably farewelled by adherents of St. Andrew's Church, Kowloon, Mrs. Rupert Baldwin, with her two young children, left the Colony for England by the steamer India yesterday afternoon.

Mrs. Baldwin, whose husband is organist at St. Andrew's Church and a member of the staff of Ying Wah College, Mongkok, was a Colony resident for about 12 years. She was a member of the church in its many branches. Many presentations were made to Mrs. Baldwin before her departure. The last was an informal one, when the Rev. J. R. Higgs, Rector of St. Andrew's, handed her the club's departing gift, at the same time conveying the best wishes of the club members and of the church's congregation.

LEAVING TO-DAY
Mr. Richard Shim, Supervisor of Asia Life Insurance, and Manager of the Underwriters Savings Bank, Hongkong branch is leaving to-day on the Empress of Japan with his wife and family on six months' tour to Honolulu and the United States. Mr. Shim will leave three of his children in Honolulu for their education. During the past year Mr. Shim has travelled extensively through Java, Singapore, Sumatra and the Malay States.



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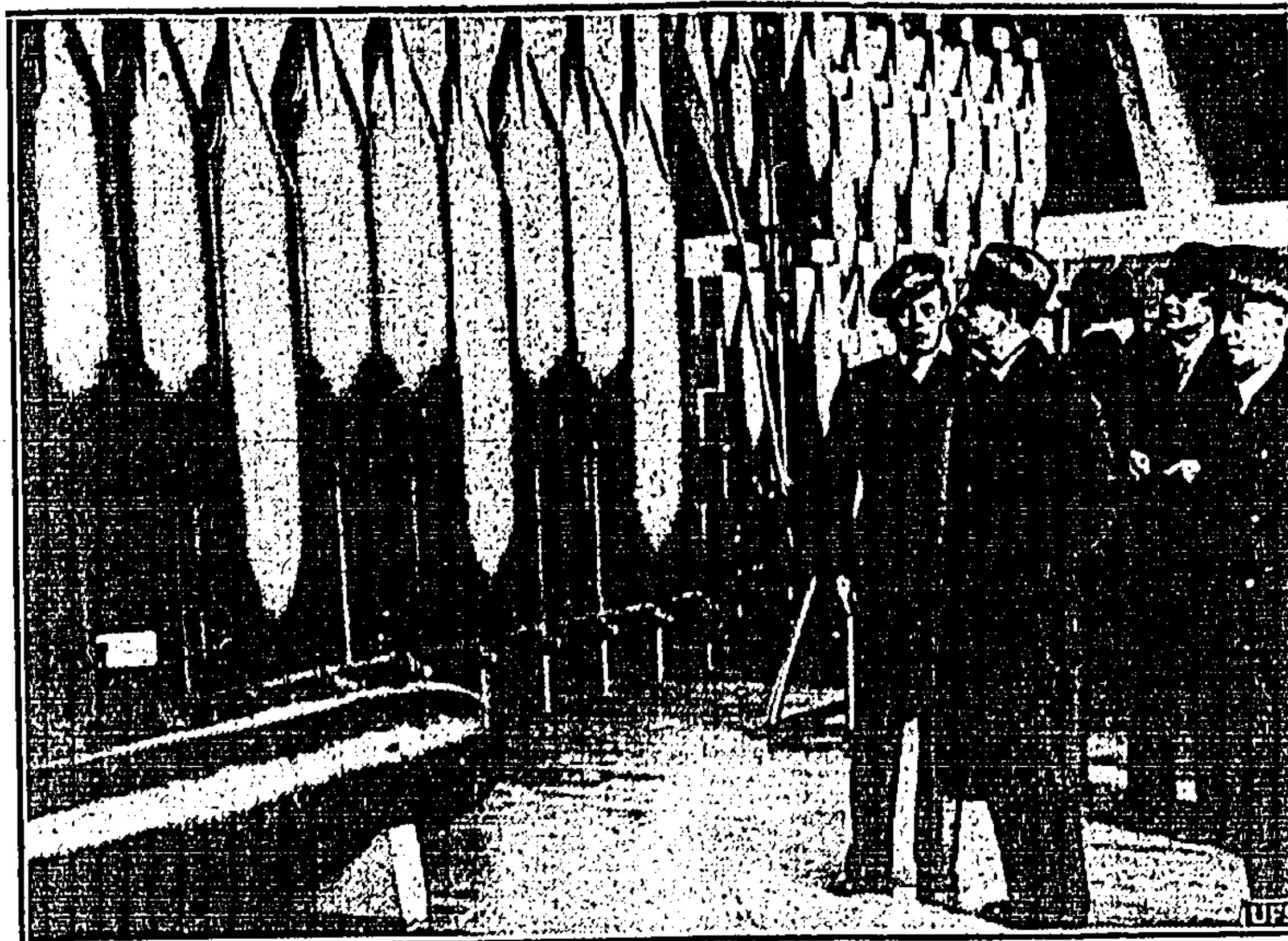
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PHOTO NEWS



King Boris of Bulgaria recently visited his father-in-law, King Victor Emmanuel of Italy, and while in Rome he looked in at the Imperial exhibition. Among other objects he saw was this display of aerial bombs in the Pavilion of Arms. Airmen call them "eggs," to be hatched by the huge bombers that roar over an area, dropping their burden to bring death and destruction below. Boris, with soft hat, in foreground, considers them.



General Eliseo Alvarez Arenas, named by General Franco to take personal charge of Barcelona, former Loyalist capital, after the city was captured by Insurgents.



This caricature shows Bernard A. Baruch, New York financier, whom a Nazi newspaper in Berlin recently called America's "secret President." It also blamed him for the good-neighbour policy toward South America, stating: "As the representative of the Rothschild bank in both North and South America, Mr. Baruch, already in control in the United States, wishes to safeguard his South American interests by having the United States control South America."



Dr. Eduard Benes, former president of Czechoslovakia, and Mrs. Benes, as they arrived in New York. Dr. Benes will teach at the University of Chicago. Official reception was given the couple at New York's City Hall by Mayor La Guardia and distinguished citizens. University has received hundreds of requests for speeches by Dr. Benes.

OBITUARY

Death of Old Manila Resident in Colony

The death of Mrs. Genoveva Isabel de Xavier e Souza occurred yesterday at St. Paul's Hospital, after a short illness. Mrs. Souza came from Manila with her husband and children a few years ago. They were well-known there. Mr. A. M. e Souza, who pre-deceased Mrs. Souza, last year, was connected with the Dollar Line in Manila. The late Mrs. Souza is survived by a son and a married daughter, and

many nephews and nieces. Relatives and friends were present at the funeral, which took place at the Catholic Cemetery in the afternoon, the Rev. Fr. Cyril Spezzali officiating.

Buried with the casket was a wreath from "Gertie, Tony, and Jose." Other floral tributes were from Stella and Celes, Mung and Mariano, I. Rapp, N. Chan, Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Veiga, Mr. and Mrs. S. M. and Mrs. G. Leong, Mr. and Mrs. C. G. Silva, Mrs. C. O. Mattos, and Au Kwong-wai.

CLIMB SCAFFOLDING

Burglars Enter Office In City District

A daring burglary occurred in the office of the China Plant-Oil Lamp Company, in the S. C. M. Post building, in the early hours of yesterday morning. Entry was obtained by breaking a glass window, the burglars climbing scaffolding outside. A quantity of radio apparatus and machine tools was stolen. The culprits used two waste-paper baskets to carry away the loot.

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LATE NEWS

Conflicting Report

Warsaw, Mar. 16.
The determined resistance of the Ruthenian defence organisation is preventing the Hungarian troops from making the progress they had hoped to achieve in occupying the country, according to reports reaching Warsaw to-day.

It is added, however, that a considerable degree of confusion prevails in reports on the situation.

A stream of refugees seeking an asylum in Poland continued throughout to-day on the road from Munkacs to the Polish frontier, which was lined, not only with civilians, but also Czech troops and officials, who have deserted their posts and are fleeing to safety in Poland.

Czechs submitted a request to the Polish authorities to-day for permission to send eight train-loads of refugees through Polish territory, and the first two trains arrived this morning, crossing the Uchokor Pass to Oderberg in Germany.

Numerous Czech motor cars have also arrived at the frontier, and the drivers are hoping to be able to enter Poland.

A harrowing picture is painted in one of the Polish newspapers, which says that the majority of Czech refugees have not eaten regularly for several days and provisions at the frontier railway stations have been quickly exhausted. Polish tradespeople have also refused to accept Czech money, although as much as 20 crowns were offered for a cup of tea. Many refugees even attempted to sell money according to the weight of the silver content.

One refugee train contained 50 children from a Czech school in Volove who had received no nourishment for the past 12 hours. A Czech infantry regiment arrived at the frontier near Lwow this morning and turned over their weapons to the Polish frontier guards. —Trans-Ocean.

Passengers Steal Taxi

Police are searching for four Chinese who seized a taxi-cab at Colindale at 1.30 a.m. after threatening driver and drove away without him. Taxi was later recovered at Wongneicheong Gap Road. Driver reports that four men hired taxi at Wanchai to go to Colindale and when reached destination threatened him in argument over fare. He ran away and passengers made off with car.

Recognition By Britain?

"Trans-Ocean" reports that the British Government has decided to recognise the new status of Bohemia and Moravia (Czechia).

Hungarian Communique

Hungarian General Staff issued following Bulletin on military operations in Ruthenia:

"Hungarian troops entered Tibes Valley and town of Chust at 7 p.m. and are now advancing in easterly direction.

"The town of Bilke in Borsava Valley has been occupied and Hungarian troops are advancing towards Dohu.

"The Polish frontier was reached by the first detachment of Hungarian troops northeast of Volos at 2 o'clock. A second group of motorised troops arrived at the frontier near Vaeveike fifteen minutes later.

"Detachments advancing in the Ung Valley arrived at Pereshen after being harassed by Czech units.

"Military operations have been severely hampered by unfavourable weather, particularly heavy snowstorms, but are nevertheless being carried out according to programme. —Trans-Ocean.

British Jew Suicides

The British Honorary Consul in Brucina, Mr. Walter Heumark, has committed suicide, according to "Trans-Ocean" report. Mr. Heumark was a Czech Jew who became a British subject by naturalisation.

Czech Envoy Snubs The Germans

Washington, Mar. 16.
The Czech Minister to Washington, Dr. Vladimir Hurdan, to-day refused to turn the Czech Legation over to the German Embassy, when ordered to do so by the German Charge d'Affaires.

Dr. Hurdan declared that he had not received instructions from Prague, and would act when he had received such an order. —Trans-Ocean.

State Council For Britain?

London, Mar. 16.
The formation of a State Council for advising the Government on questions of foreign policy was suggested by Mr. Anthony Eden to-day, this Council to include representatives of all British political parties.

The body would contain all members of the Privy Council sitting in the House of Commons or House of Lords, including Mr. Eden, Mr. Winston Churchill, Mr. Duff Cooper, Lord Baldwin, Mr. Lloyd George, Mr. Clement Attlee, Sir Archibald Sinclair and Viscount Samuel. —Trans-Ocean.

Slovakia Latest German Vassal

Berlin, Mar. 16.
Although a formal agreement regulating the position of Slovakia in relation with the Reich is not expected until to-night, it is assumed here that such an agreement will be forthcoming following the further conference between the German Chancellor and the Slovak Premier.

It is emphasized that the position of Slovakia will differ greatly from that of Bohemia and Moravia. Slovakia, it is believed, will remain independent, with its own Foreign and War Ministries, but it is doubtful whether it will be permitted to conclude treaties with third Powers without the approval of the Reich.

The Slovak army will also probably be placed under German command.

An economic and customs union is regarded here as a foregone conclusion. —Trans-Ocean.

On Polish Frontier

Budapest, Mar. 16.
Authoritative reports state that advance columns of Hungarian troops in Ruthenia reached the Polish frontier at Petrusovics at 3.30 p.m. to-day. (11.30 p.m. H.K.T.) —Trans-Ocean.

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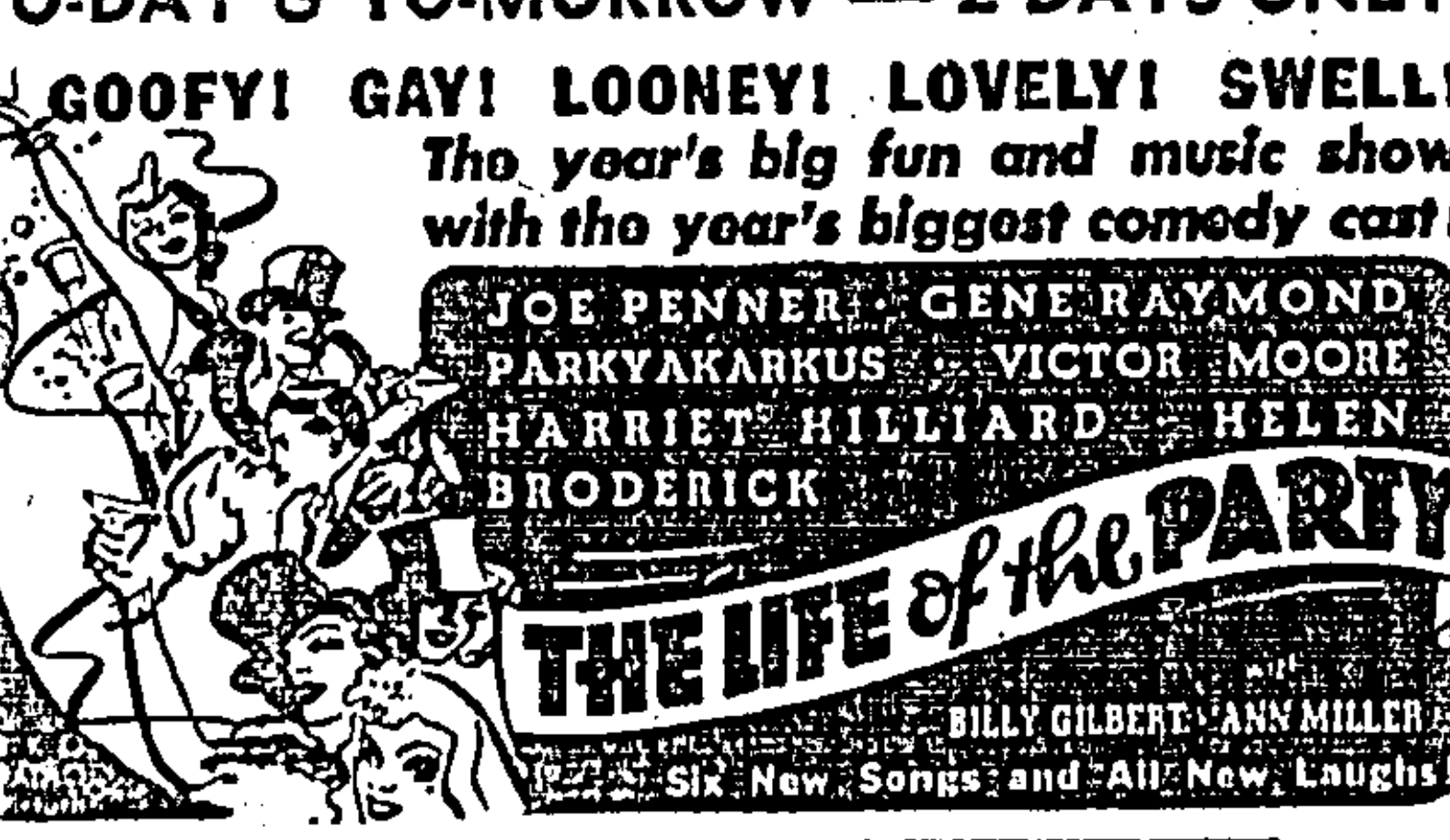
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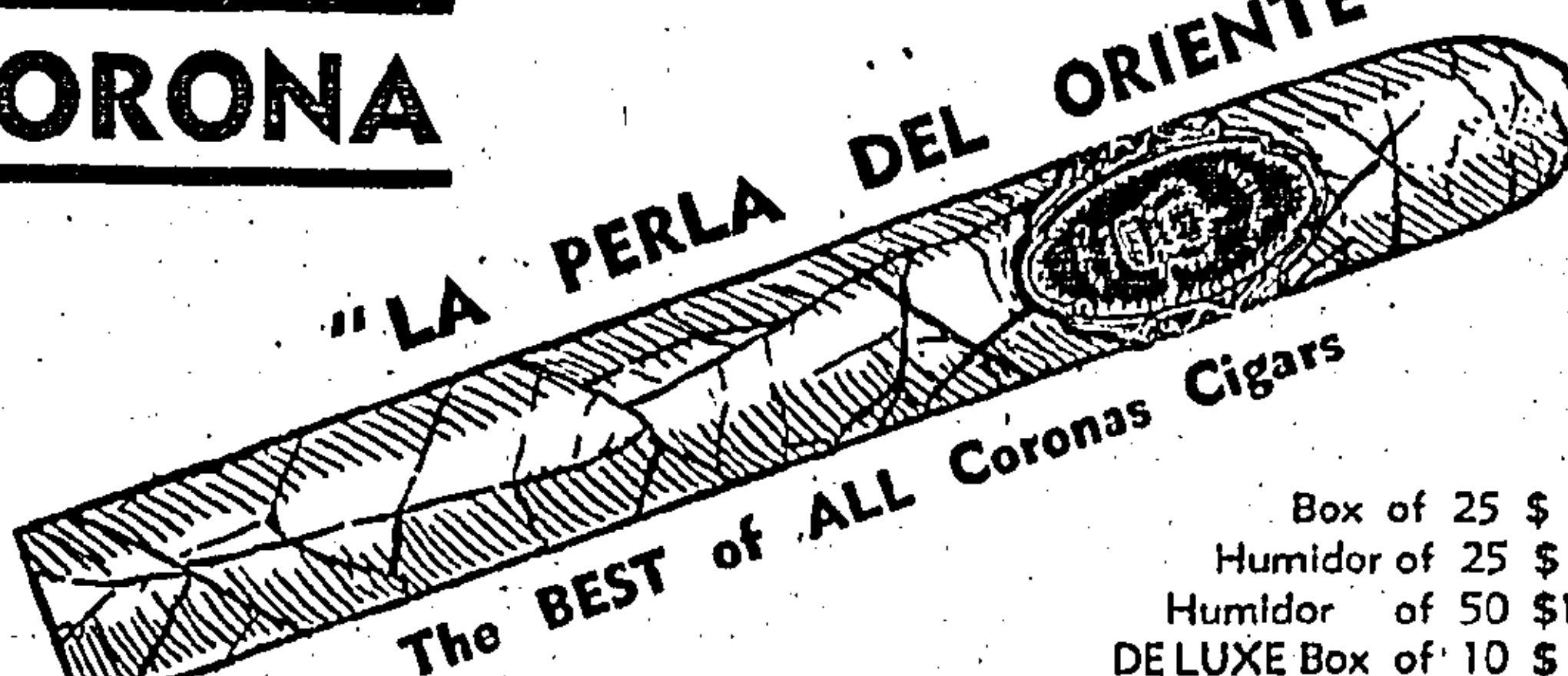
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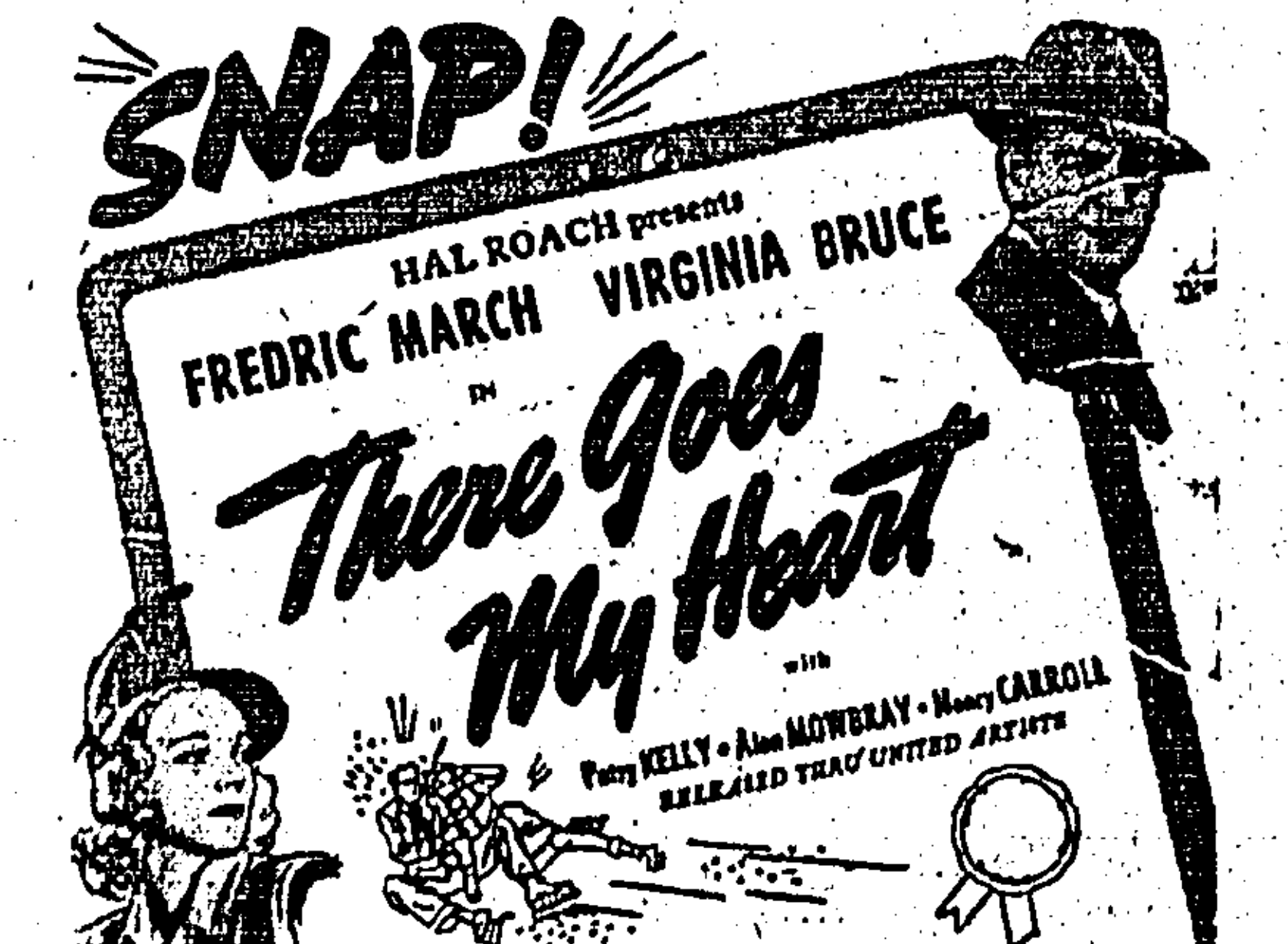
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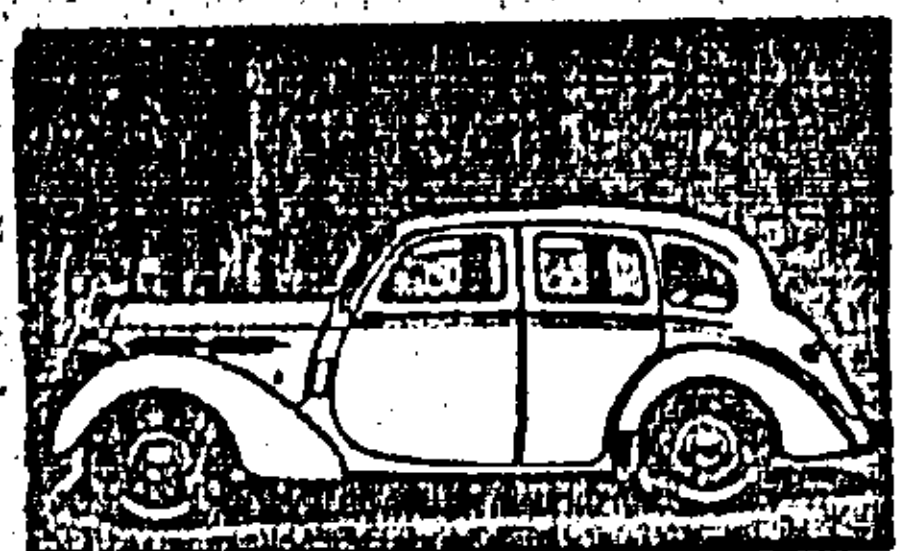


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German troops are now advancing into the country.

Chust, capital of Ruthenia, was occupied by Hungarian troops at 7 p.m. yesterday (3 a.m. to-day H.K.T.).

Only sporadic resistance was encountered by the invaders, and there was no organised opposition to the occupation of the city.

The chief difficulties encountered by the Hungarians, states "Reuter", were weather and the lack of roads.

A large number of Czech troops have taken refuge in Rumania.

According to a Berlin message from the same Agency, the Ruthenian Government has sent a telegram to Great Britain, France, Italy and Germany, the four signatories to the Munich Agreement, appealing for their aid in maintaining the independence of the new Republic.

Further west, German troops have practically completed the occupation of Bohemia.

There have been no friction and no incidents. Czech troops, for the present, are confined to their barracks.

It is stated that the transfer of the military commands took place in a most correct and chivalrous manner.

News that Slovakia has now been placed under German "protection" has provided sensational news in Paris, says "Trans-Ocean".

Newspapers believe Germany will also occupy this part of Czechoslovakia.

The Commander of the Hlinka Guards in Slovakia has already ordered his men to place themselves under the command of German military authorities, and the opinion is expressed that Slovakia will be given similar status as Czechia.

RECOGNITION BY BRITAIN?

"Trans-Ocean" reports that the British Government has decided to recognise the new status of Bohemia and Moravia (Czechia).

SLOVAKIA LATEST GERMAN VASSAL

Berlin, Mar. 16. Although a formal agreement regulating the position of Slovakia in relation with the Reich is not expected until to-night, it is assumed here that such an agreement will be forthcoming following the further conference between the German Chancellor and the Slovak Premier.

It is emphasised that the position of Slovakia will differ greatly from that of Bohemia and Moravia. Slovakia, it is believed, will remain independent, with its own Foreign and War Ministries, but it is doubtful whether it will be permitted to conclude treaties with third Powers without the approval of the Reich.

The Slovak army will also probably be placed under German commands.

An economic and customs union is regarded here as a foregone conclusion.—Trans-Ocean.

OCCUPATION COMPLETED

Prague, Mar. 17. The German High Command reports that the occupation of Bohemia and Moravia was completed yesterday evening. The German troops of Army Group III and Army Group V have, generally

Magna Carta Going to U.S. In Fireproof Glass Case

A SPECIAL frame of bronze and fireproof glass is being prepared to contain Lincoln Cathedral's original of Magna Carta, to be shipped to New York as a leading exhibit at the World's Fair.

The Lincoln Magna Carta is one of the four originals in existence. Salisbury Cathedral has one; the other two, in the British Museum, may not be taken out of the country.

JAPAN'S Government has instructed the Japanese Ambassador in Moscow to press the Soviet for an immediate settlement of the Sakhalin fishing dispute. He was ordered to add that unless the Soviet reconsiders the auction held at Vladivostok on Wednesday, Japan will be forced to take "unreserved and appropriate measures" to end the deadlock.



The Story Behind It

Japanese fishermen began fishing in Russian territorial waters around Sakhalin 180 years ago.

They had no right there, but at that time there were no Russian fishermen in those parts, and no objection was taken to their activities.

At the beginning of last century, however, a Russian fishing industry was developed and the first of a long series of conventions was concluded with Japan under which the latter country was granted certain fishing rights.

1928 Pact

These conventions were renewed until the Bolshevik Government of 1917, which was not recognised by Japan, but then lapsed. Without authority the Japanese fishermen continued to fish in Russian waters, but Moscow was too much occupied to take any action or even to worry with.

When Japan recognised the Soviet Government in 1925, negotiations for a new convention were begun and the agreement was concluded in 1928. It expired in May, 1935, and was renewed for two periods of one year each.

Meanwhile the Soviet fishing industry had assumed considerable proportions and relations between the two countries had become strained.

Selling Rights

Last year Japan was unable to secure a renewal of the convention, and it was only after great diplomatic effort that permission was granted for the Japanese to fish until the end of the season.

The permission has now expired and the Soviet Government auctioned on March 15, Japan did not participate in the auction.

RUMOUR IN MEMEL

Anschluss With Reich Near

MEMEL, Mar. 16.

MEMEL, which was German territory before the Great War, is full of rumours of an approaching annexation with Germany.

It was revealed to-night that Dr. Neumann, the local "Fuehrer", made a violent speech in a session of the local Diet on March 15.

He bitterly attacked the Lithuanian Government for procrastination in fulfilling the demands of Memel Germans, and declared:

"Separation of Memel from Germany is a flagrant violation of the right of self-determination. Economically Memel territory is a heap of ruins. It is our duty, as a result of these insupportable conditions, to bring about far-reaching changes."

It is reported on good authority that the Lithuanian garrisons have been increased.—Reuter Special.

Terry (Vice-President), B. H. C. Hallows (Secretary), K. Begdon, Mrs. C. G. Perdue, Major and Mrs. G. T. L. Archer, Lieut.-Col. J. E. Smith, Mrs. Wilson, A. H. Guinness, Capt. W. P. McCarthy, Miss Buntly Hallows, P. J. A. Hamilton, E. H. Williams, F. F. McCabe, Mrs. N. W. Dimsey, Mrs. J. H. G. A. Foster, J. Fox, J. O'Donovan, Mrs. Grant, Miss R. Grant, F. Karmagan, W. J. Simmons and P. J. Cullen.

RUTHENIA APPEALS TO RUMANIANS

BUCHAREST, Mar. 16.

PREMIER VOLOSIN of Ruthenia, who fled into Rumania on Thursday, has petitioned to the Rumanian Government to incorporate the entire district of Ruthenia into the territory of Rumania, it was revealed in informed quarters.

It is understood in circles close to the Nazi Party Headquarters that Germany will agree to Hungary's annexation of Ruthenia.

The same circles point out that following incorporation of Bohemia and Moravia into German territory, Slovakia will be allowed to maintain its independence under Germany's protection.

In such eventuality, the supreme command of diplomatic and military affairs in Slovakia will be exercised by the Reich Government, while an army of Slovak troops will be organised to operate in their native land.

TRENCH WARFARE

Meanwhile, a Budapest dispatch says that severe trench warfare was raging in western Ruthenia following a violent clash between the vanguards of Hungarian troops and Czech defence forces at a point 10 kilometres west of Chust.

About 100 Hungarian troops are estimated to have been killed, while the casualties on the Czech side are also believed heavy.

By Thursday, over 1,000 Ruthenian refugees entered Rumania and the border between Ruthenia and Rumania was crowded with refugees gathering from various parts of Ruthenia.—Domei.

ON POLISH FRONTIER

Budapest, Mar. 16. Authoritative reports state that advance columns of Hungarian troops in Ruthenia reached the Polish frontier at Petrusovics at 3.30 p.m. to-day. (11.30 p.m. H.K.T.).—Trans-Ocean.

HUNGARIAN COMMUNIQUE

The Hungarian General Staff has issued the following Bulletin on the military operations in Ruthenia: "Hungarian troops entered Thess Valley and town of Chust at 7 p.m. and are now advancing in easterly direction.

"The town of Bilke in Borsava Valley has been occupied and Hungarian troops are advancing towards Dobna.

"The Polish frontier was reached by the first detachment of Hungarian troops northeast of Volos at 2 o'clock. A second group of motorised troops arrived at the frontier near Vaeleke fifteen minutes later.

"Detachments advancing in the Ung Valley arrived at Pereshen after being harassed by Czech units.

"Military operations have been severely hampered by unfavourable weather, particularly heavy snowstorms, but are nevertheless being carried out according to programme.—Trans-Ocean.

CONFLICTING REPORT

Warsaw, Mar. 16. The determined resistance of the Ruthenian defence organisation is preventing the Hungarian troops from making the progress they had hoped to achieve in occupying the country, according to reports reaching Warsaw to-day.

It is added, however, that a considerable degree of confusion prevails in reports on the situation.

A stream of refugees seeking an asylum in Poland continued throughout to-day on the road from Munkacs to the Polish frontier, which was lined not only with civilians, but also Czech troops and officials, who have deserted their posts and are fleeing to safety in Poland.

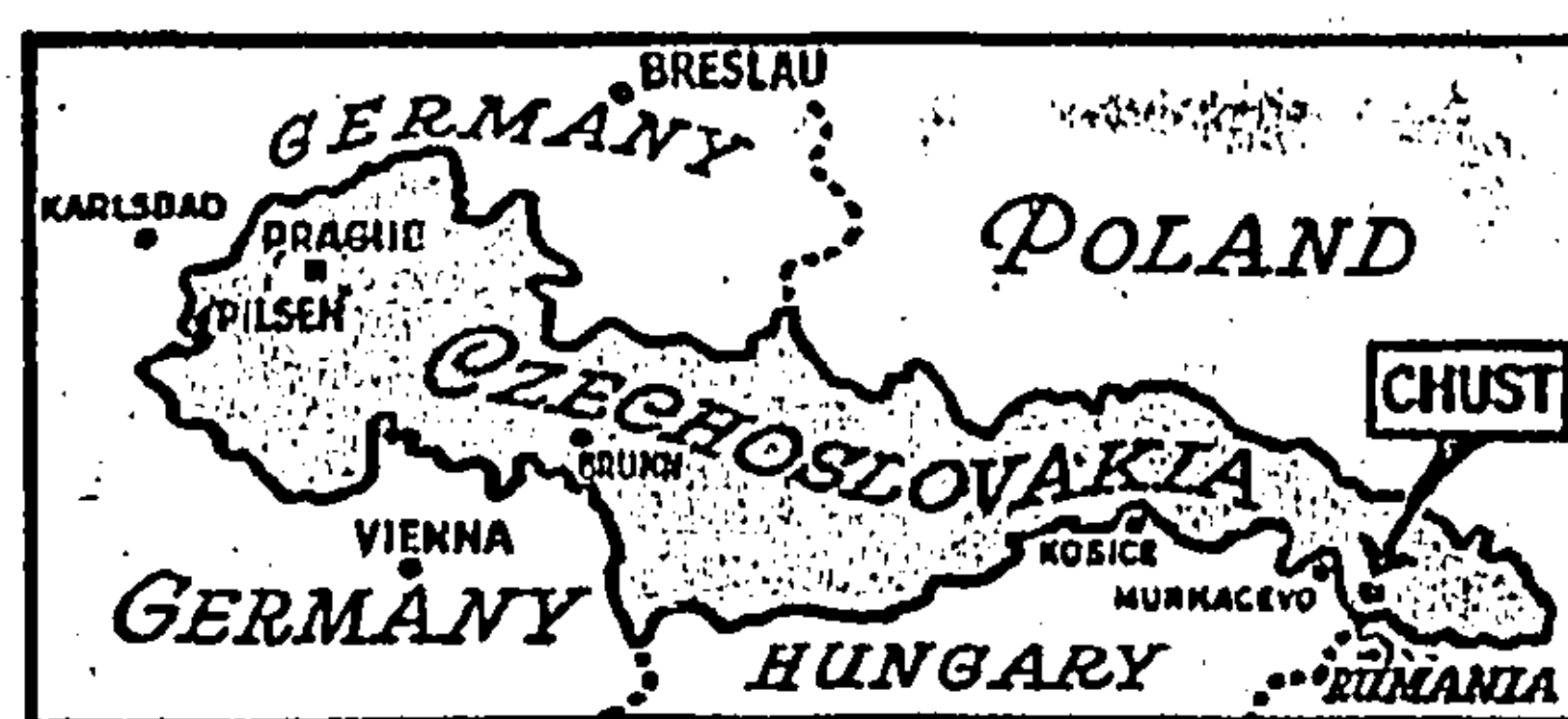
Czechs submitted a request to the Polish authorities to-day for permission to send eight train-loads of refugees through Polish territory, and the first two trains arrived this morning, crossing the Uchokier Pass to Odenberg in Germany.

Numerous Czech motor cars have also arrived at the frontier, and the drivers are hoping to be able to enter Poland.

A harrowing picture is painted in one of the Polish newspapers, which says that the majority of Czech refugees have not eaten regularly for several days and provisions at the frontier railway stations have been quickly exhausted. Polish border people have also refused to accept Czech money, although as much as 20 crowns were offered for a cup of tea. Many refugees even attempted to sell money according to the weight of the silver content.

One refugee train contained 80 children from a Czech school in Volos who had received no nourishment for the past 12 hours.

A Czech infantry regiment arrived at the frontier near Lavos this morning and turned over their (Continued on Page 4.)



BRITAIN TO RECALL ENVOY FROM BERLIN

"UNITED PRESS" REPORTED AT 10.30 A.M. THAT IT WAS RELIABLY LEARNED THAT BRITAIN AND FRANCE WERE RECALLING THEIR AMBASSADORS FROM BERLIN.

LONDON, Mar. 16.

THE FORMATION of a State Council for advising the Government on questions of foreign policy was suggested by Mr. Anthony Eden to-day, this Council to include representatives of all British political parties.

The body would contain all members of the Privy Council sitting in the House of Commons or House of Lords, including Mr. Eden, Mr. Winston Churchill, Mr. Duff Cooper, Lord Baldwin, Mr. Lloyd George, Mr. Clement Attlee, Sir Archibald Sinclair and Viscount Samuel.—Trans-Ocean.

EARLIER MESSAGES

LONDON, Mar. 16.

MR. NEVILLE CHAMBERLAIN told questioners in the House of Commons to-day that he was considering recalling Sir Neville Henderson, the British Ambassador to Berlin, in order to report on the Central European situation.

He said that he had not received any official German communication of official confirmation of Hitler's proclamation.

He added that he had not protested against the invasion of Czechoslovakia.

Previously Britain had consulted France with regard to a common front, and had sharply told Germany that the dissolution of Czechoslovakia would be a blow to European hopes of stability and peace.

TOTALITARIANS WARNED

Meanwhile, in the House of Commons, Mr. Geoffrey Shakespeare, Secretary to the Admiralty, issued an obvious warning to the totalitarian countries when he said that 200 warships were in the process of construction, and that 60 of them would be completed this year.

Mr. Shakespeare said that Britain was determined to maintain naval superiority, and he revealed that they were adding two destroyer flotillas and 20 escort vessels of a new type to offset the Nazis' submarines.

Mr. Shakespeare said: "I believe the fleet is so strong that it can confidently accept a challenge of battle with any possible combination of foes."—United Press.

QUESTION UNDER CONSIDERATION

LONDON, Mar. 16. In the House of Commons to-day, Mr. Neville Chamberlain said that the question whether the British Ambassador to Berlin should be asked to return in order to report was now under consideration.—Reuter.

ANGLO-FRENCH CO-OPERATION

Paris, Mar. 16. Mr. Daladier to-day hastily conferred with his Ministers on the question whether he should go to London to exchange political and military views, and to evolve a practical line in Anglo-French policy against further totalitarian expansion.—United Press.

BRITAIN'S REACTIONS

LONDON, Mar. 16. It is impossible to state anything definitely at present concerning the (Continued on Page 4.)

JAPANESE TROOPS MOVE TO BORDER

SHANGHAI, Mar. 17.

A LARGE NUMBER of Japanese troops, freshly landed in Manchukuo and Korea from Japan, have been methodically moved to Soviet border regions during the past week, according to usually reliable foreign military reports received here.

One report puts the number of new troops entering Manchukuo and Korea and sent to the frontier as high as 40,000.

It is learned that the Korean port of Busan, near Changdufeng, the scene of last year's serious Soviet-Manchukuo border incident, has been (Continued on Page 4.)

LATEST

See Back Page For
Further Late News

WHEN A SCOTSMAN MARRIES AN ENGLISH GIRL

MR. ANSTRUTHER-GRAY, Tory M.P. for North Lanark, a Scotsman and a Pifer who married an English girl (the granddaughter of the fourth Earl of Durham), got leave in the House of Commons recently to proceed with a Bill which will make Scottish-English marriages easier.

He complained that under existing law, if a Scotsman wants to marry an English girl he cannot just give seven days' notice to the registrar as the English boy can do who wants to marry an English girl.

The Scotsman who, like Bonnie Lassie, carries his conquest over the Border must reside for fifteen days in England before being able to give seven days' notice to the English registrar. It therefore requires his presence on English soil for twenty-three days before he can be married.

"Twenty-three clear days' holiday is not easily obtainable for working people," said Mr. Anstruther-Gray. "I am sure these young folk would sooner spend a twenty-three days' holiday honey-mooning than in qualifying for marriage."

There was cheerful agreement among Scotsmen and Englishmen that marriage between the two countries should be encouraged.

'EUGENICALLY GOOD'
Mr. Hamilton Kerr (Cons., Oldham) said the Bill was as good as a second Act of Union (the Act of Union, 1707, united the Parliaments of England and Scotland).

Sir H. Morris-Jones (Lib. Nat., Denbigh), who is a doctor, said, eugenically, a marriage between English and Scots was a very good combination.

Mr. Mathers (Sec., Linlithgow) said he was all in favour of such marriages. He recalled that the Marquis of Clydesdale married a Percy, putting an end to the traditional feud between the houses of Hamilton and Northumberland.

"His brother Lord David Douglas-Hamilton," Mr. Mathers continued, "captured the popular and picturesque Prunella (Stack) who popularised physical fitness and beauty among her perspiring sisters."

Mr. Reid, Solicitor-General for Scotland, welcomed the Bill as evidence that the two countries seek closer unity social as well as political.

'Wed' 3 Years, Not A Wife

AFTER having been "married" for more than three years a girl of 19 has found that she is not, in law, a wife.

She is Miss Mary Moore, of Hall-lane, South Oxenden, near Grays, Essex.

At Grays Police Court recently she asked for an affiliation order against Stanley Frederick John Smith, aged 22, of Morsham-street, Chelmsford, with whom she went through the "marriage" ceremony. Miss Moore said that when she tried to get a separation from her "husband" recently it was discovered she was only 15 when she "married"; the marriage was, therefore, invalid.

Smith, who admitted paternity, offered to pay 5s. a week out of his earnings of 34s., but the magistrates made an order for 4s.

Talking Dislocates Jaw

Paradise, Cal.
Paradise's Community Playhouse had a demonstration of its success seldom accorded to even the most famous theatres of the world. Miss Elda McEwen, member of the box office staff, answered the question of so many ticket buyers and telephone callers that she dislocated her jaw.

Map In 3d. Book May Find Him Buried Treasure

BECAUSE of a threepenny book bought from a bookstall in the Caledonian Market, London, a research engineer is throwing up his job and sinking his £600 life savings in an attempt to find buried treasure worth millions of pounds.

Recently Mr. Victor Durmet, thirty, of Forth-green, Finchley, N. 2, was touring the stalls of the Caledonian Market searching for first editions—his hobby.

He bought an old book for 3d. When he got it home a faded map of the Coves Islands fell out from between the leaves.

On the map was a treasure box drawn in faded ink, an arrow and compass instructions.

Mr. Durmet had the map examined by the British Museum, who told him it was over 100 years old.

Now Mr. Durmet says he is confident that the map is the original map showing the spot where the much-sought-after Lima, Peru, treasure was buried by an English sea captain in 1821.

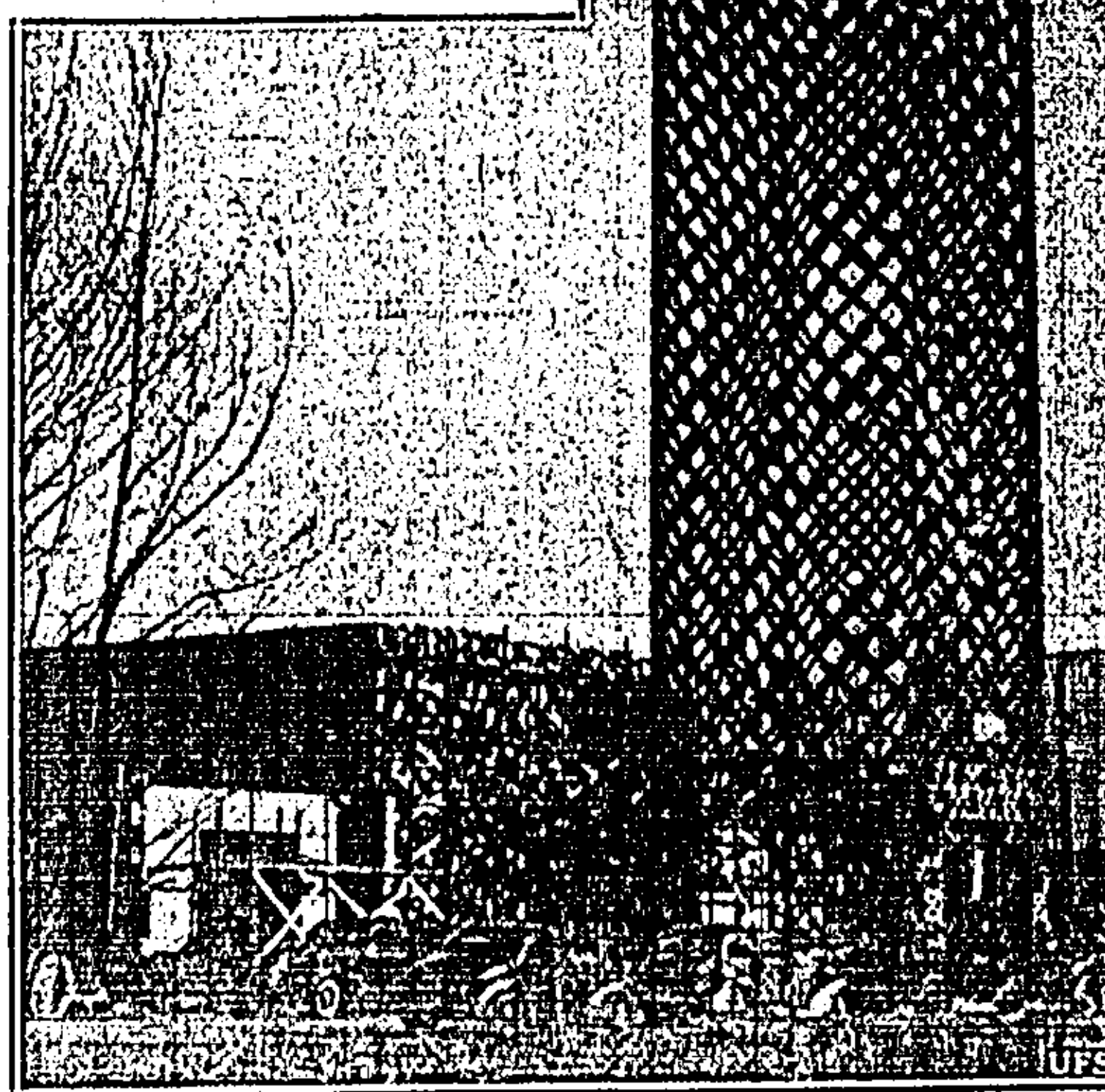
Mr. Durmet said: "One history of the Lima treasure says that it was taken by a British sea captain, Captain Thompson, and buried on an island in the Pacific."

This account adds that Captain Thompson died in a London hospital, but before he died he wrote the directions where the treasure was buried on a map.

That map was afterwards lost.

Two of Mr. Durmet's friends, a thirty-year-old naturalist and a fifty-five-year-old taxidermist, have decided to join him on his adventure. He plans to set out shortly.

Interesting view of the steel network in the tower of the Polish government Pavilion, now nearing completion at the New York World's Fair. Exhibits in the building will publicise Poland's agricultural, manufacturing and other products. All exhibits for the Pavilion arrived on the Polish liner Batory recently.



Pilots Alleged To Have Drunk On Duty

A FORMER managing director of Western Airways, Ltd., Mr. Norman Edgar, went into the witness-box at Weston-super-Mare Police Court recently and declared that:

Prominent Weston council officials were concerned with pilots in drinking out of hours at Weston-super-Mare's airport and that regulations forbidding pilots on duty to drink were "flagrantly and frequently broken."

A crowded court heard the allegations made when Mr. Edgar opposed an application by the Borough Council at the annual licensing session for renewal of the drinking licence at the airport.

Mr. Edgar, in evidence, declared that the drinking was led by his joint director, over whom he had no control.

This director, he alleged, took pilots into the bar during the afternoon and they were actually under the influence of drink, though, not drunk, when they got into service planes containing passengers.

Mr. L. G. Watson, Town Clerk, and Mr. H. A. Brown, the Borough Surveyor, had also been drinking there out of hours, he added.

"DRASTIC STEPS"

Mr. Cyril Williams (for Western Airways, Limited), referring to an impending High Court action by Mr. Edgar against the company for wrongful dismissal, said he thought a licensing case should not be used as a dress rehearsal for litigation which was pending.

Mr. H. Collins—(for the Council)—said that in June, 1938, a change in the management took place. Later, Mr. Edgar and other persons who had been with the old company severed their connection.

The new management had taken drastic steps to rectify the allegations. Pilots charged with drinking were dismissed and those in cases of doubt were transferred to other aerodromes.

The hearing was adjourned.

GREETING CARDS REUSED

NEWTON, Mass.
Boston College students saved greeting cards received during the Christmas holidays and turned them over to the Rev. Richard L. Rooney, S.J., student counselor, for missionary work. Jesuit missionaries assigned to Jamaica, British West Indies, distribute the cards among natives.

Trade Unions In Hongkong

A question was asked in the House of Commons recently with regard to trade unions in Hongkong.

Mr. Sorensen asked the Secretary of State for the Colonies whether trade unions in Hongkong are freely permitted to function; how many industrial disputes have taken place during the last 12 months; and whether any trade unions have been suppressed by the local government?

Mr. M. MacDonald: The answer to the first part of the question is in the affirmative. There have been about eight industrial disputes in Hongkong in the last 12 months. These were of a minor nature, and in each case an amicable settlement was reached through the Secretariat of Chinese Affairs.

No bona fide trade union has been suppressed, but certain guilds and associations which professed to be trade unions have from time to time been declared unlawful under the Societies Ordinance of 1920, mainly on account of terrorist and political activities. The last of such suppressions took place more than 12 months ago.



Victoria Allenby, cousin of Britain's famed General Allenby, who captured Jerusalem at end of World War, later Egyptian high commissioner, shown in Chicago where she became a nurse-maid. She left a nursing home in New York after a reprimand and got another job.

His Worship's Topper

CLOTHES may or may not make the man, but they certainly go a long way towards making a Mayor.

At least, so thinks Alderman A. B. C. Kempe, the first Mayor of Ramsgate to wear a top hat for every occasion.

From the top of his shining topper to the tips of his shining boots, the Mayor was what the fashion books call "correct" when a reporter called to see him.

Striped trousers with knife-edge crease. Morning coat fitting without a wrinkle. Gloves in one hand. Rolled umbrella on other arm. Absolutely correct.

"They've nicknamed me Jack Buchanan," said the Mayor, glancing in the mirror to see that the topper was sitting at just the right angle.

"Mind you don't run away with the idea that I wear these clothes because they're comfortable. In fact, I sometimes wonder who invented starched collars."

The Mayor admitted that his dress is not popular with everybody. "A mayor is the representative of the King, is he not? He should behave in a manner fitting the dignity of his office, isn't that right?"

"Well, then, how can he look dignified unless he dresses for the part?"

"I mean to be a good mayor, even if I get strangled in the process."

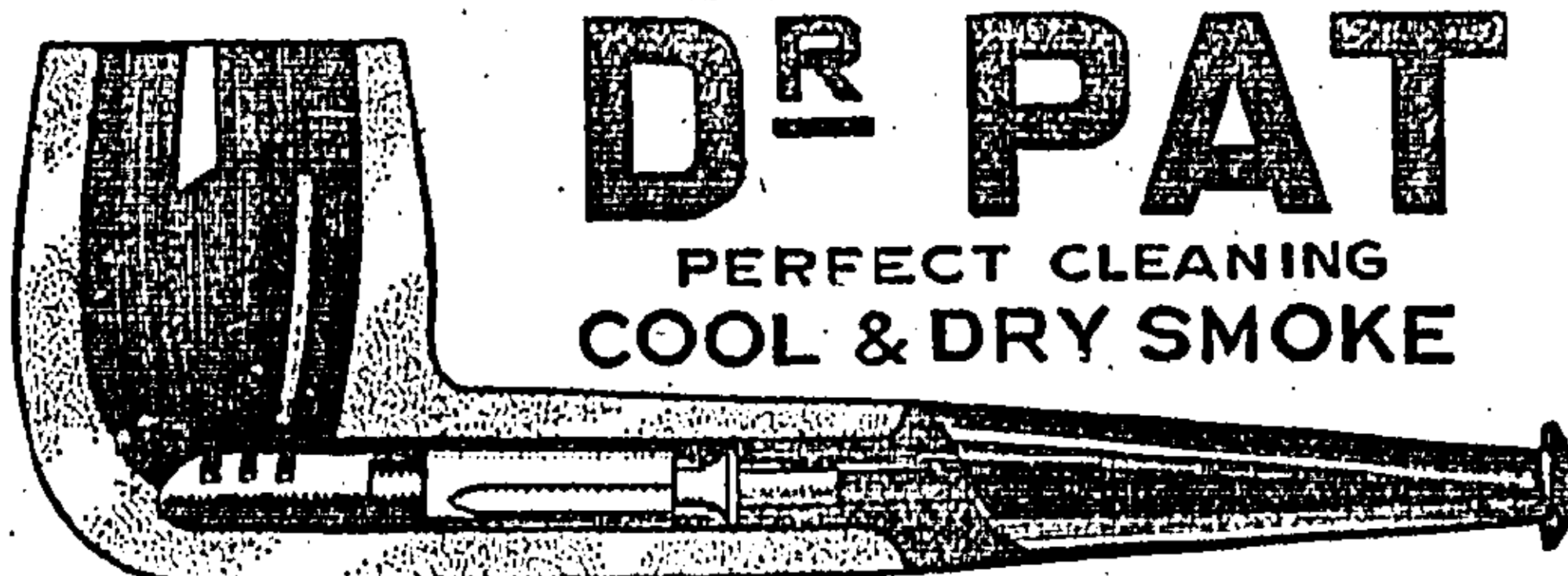
And he ran his finger round the inside of his collar.

Iron Lung Saves Life

MRS. LILIAN COWSILL, aged 29, of John-street, Little Lever, Bolton, owes her life to an iron lung.

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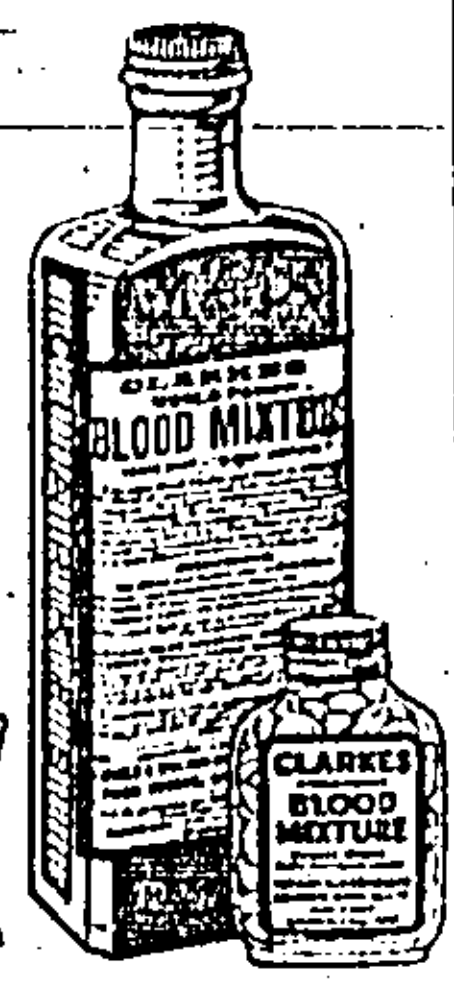
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EXPERTS WANT STEEL AIR RAID SHELTERS FOR ALL

THE three experts appointed by Sir John Anderson, Minister for Civilian Defence, to consider the problem of air-raid shelters recommended recently that:

Every home in a vulnerable area should have a shelter; Shelters should be distributed before an emergency; They should be placed near to houses, but not inside them; There should be immediate legislation to ensure that no new residential building of whatever size or class is erected without a shelter; People who provide shelters should not be penalised by increased taxes or rates. The experts are:

"WITH UTMOST SPEED"
Sir Henry Japp, chief engineer and works director for Messrs. John Mowlem and Co., Ltd., civil engineering contractors. He was a member of the British war mission to the United States, and until 1919 Director in Charge of Production.

Mr. B. L. Hurst, senior partner in the firm of B. L. Hurst and Peirce, civil engineers, who built Shell-Mex House.

Mr. David Anderson, partner in the firm of Mott, Hay and Anderson, the consultants who planned and supervised the building of the Dartford Tunnel beneath the Thames. The committee press for the construction "to the utmost extent, and at the utmost possible speed" of the following forms of shelters:

Pressed and rolled sectional shelters; Piped basements; "Pill-boxes"; Permanently strengthened lower floors of blocks of flats and tenements; Permanently strengthened basements of shops, offices, and large houses; and Communal shelters and trenches.

"EVACUATE GROUND FLOOR"
The policy suggested for tenement flats is evacuation of some or all of the ground floor flats and the strengthening and adaptation in peace time of the portions evacuated. There should be built permanent covered trenches in communication with the main buildings and subsidiary buildings with definite protective value which would have peace-time use as playgrounds or store rooms.

For the average house the committee recommend a sectional steel device not less than 6ft. by 4ft. 6in. in plan and not less than 6ft. high. They emphasise the danger of basing shelters which could only be entered by crawling, and in which only a crouching or recumbent attitude is possible.

The shelters could not be distributed quickly because of their weight (5cwt. to 7cwt.), but they could be mass-produced, and the design could be confined to two or three types, to enable many firms quickly to adapt their plant for production. "Definitely opposing" the placing of these shelters within houses, the committee states: "Assuming, as seems most likely, that an attack with high explosive bombs will be accom-



From oil workers in California to society leaders in Massachusetts, Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt, one of the most active women ever in the White House, was given a strong vote of approval for the way she has occupied the position of First Lady, according to a nation-wide survey by the American Institute of Public Opinion. Survey showed she is more popular with women than with men.

Here are some of her activities: Top, left to right: Dancing in the New Deal sponsored community at Arthurdale, W. Va.; as an airplane passenger; in the horse show at Fort Myer, Va. Centre, opens infantile paralysis campaign; Mrs. Roosevelt herself, given degree at John Marshall College of Law. Bottom, dictates daily column to Miss Malvina Thompson, her companion and secretary; visits blind craft shop, New York.

panied by incendiary bombs, the risk that the shelter will become an oven for the trapped occupants is a very real one... and occupants might be overcome by gas escaping from fractured pipes.

CRITICISM ANSWERED
"Undoubtedly most people would prefer to stay in their houses to take shelter, and thought at first sight the

device might seem to render this possible, their chances of rescue are greatly diminished and the prospect of a lingering death increased if the house collapses." The sectional device is considered the answer to criticism of the cost involved in back-yard trenches. "Placed in the garden or yard and covered with earth or sandbags, it provides as good a shelter as a cover-

ed trench. It should be sunk at least partly in the ground."

The committee admit that some other solution must be sought for houses without a back-yard. The sectional shelter is regarded as having a definite place in the immediate short-term policy, but is considered less efficient than a permanent structure of brick and/or concrete of the pill-box type.

There could be built in groups at the intersection of fences to accommodate two or four households of four people each.

Rheumatism's Toll

Rheumatism in relation to national health was discussed at a conference opened recently at the Hospitals and Nursing Exhibition, New Horticultural Hall, Westminster, S.W., by Dr. J. P. Halls, Dally, Medical Officer under the L.C.C. rheumatism scheme.

Dr. Halls said that in the 19th century tuberculosis was the chief cause of death. In the 20th century rheumatism was the most potent cause of disability and death afflicting the population of Great Britain.

It was estimated that 25,000 deaths annually were due to acute rheumatism. In its ravages among the community rheumatism outweighed the combined efforts of tuberculosis and cancer, and might be rightly termed Public Enemy No. 1.

Dr. Halls dated the beginning of extended and practical interest in rheumatism in the year 1924 when the Ministry of Health published a report based on an investigation of 91,000 cases—59,000 men and 33,000 women—and clearly demonstrated the extent of economic damage to national health caused by this malady.

Since this report national and international leagues had been formed to combat rheumatism.

Across Canada On Horseback

Miss Mary Bosanquet, daughter of Mr. Vivian Bosanquet, formerly British Consul-General in Frankfurt, who lives at Beechingshoke Manor, near here, is planning to ride on horseback across Canada.

She contemplates leaving England in March, and hopes to reach Vancouver by the end of May. She will then set out for Montreal, and, if circumstances are favourable, will go on to Quebec.

Miss Bosanquet has never been to Canada, but is interested in the Dominion, and hopes, by this method of travelling, not only to get some good riding, but to obtain first-hand information about the country.

EMPIRE NEWS

BIG LAND DEAL IN S.W. AFRICA

Capetown. The Union Government has given practical proof of its faith in the future of South-West Africa by outbidding the German Government for a huge tract of farming country in the territory.

Messrs. Liebig-South Africa—Ltd., who were established before the Great War as manufacturers of meat extract in South West Africa, decided to dispose of their holdings, comprising about 1,600,000 acres.

The German Government tried to purchase the property for the settlement of German farmers. Through the South West Land Settlement Co. the Reich provides German immigrants with farm and on easy terms.

Negotiations were at once opened by the Union Government with Liebig's, and the property was purchased for £2,200,000. Some of the finest ranching country in South West Africa will be thrown open for settlement.

NEW ZEALAND

SOCIAL SECURITY PREPARATIONS

Auckland. Preparations for the entry into force of the Social Security scheme on April 1 include the merging of the pensions and unemployment divisions of the Labour Department, and the completion of an eight storey building at Wellington.

Next year the activities of the Social Security departments will be decentralised through the setting up of 40 separate offices.

Mr. P. C. Webb, Minister of Labour, state that subsidised relief schemes will be brought to an end by March 31.

"We are consulting manufacturers and other employers," he said, "for the purpose of transferring men from relief schemes into secondary industry."

BURMA

TOUR OF INTERIOR BY COMMISSION

Georgetown. Three members of the Royal Commission on Labour Conditions in the West Indies, including probably Lord Moyne, the chairman, left recently for a tour of the interior by air.

They were away for three days and visited the Rupununi Valley, a possible site for Jewish settlements, and the Kaieteur Falls.

NORTHERN RHODESIA

POLICE CHIEF'S ASSAULTED

Rangoon. Mr. W. H. Tydd, Assistant Commissioner of Police, was injured during the recent disorder, when the mob attacked the car of the Commissioner, Mr. Reynolds.

A Burmese woman, addressing a meeting, boasted that she had assaulted Mr. Reynolds. The audience applauded.

Burmese buses are again withdrawn from the streets. The proprietors complain that they do not receive police protection. The police state that they are acting on orders from the Government.

BRITISH GUIANA

VOLUNTEER DEFENCE FORCE

Lusaka. The Government of Northern Rhodesia proposes to establish a European volunteer defence force of 400 men.

The function of the force will be to repel external aggression and aid the civil authority in the protection of life and property, or the suppression of internal civil disturbances. It will be staffed by Regular Army instructors.

PUTTER "CAN'T MISS"

LONDON. Prof. A. M. Low, who has never played golf, has invented a putter with which a player cannot miss. Its secret is a small lamp fitted to the shaft of the putter which shows a red light if the player does not move his club in a straight line with the ball and hole.

QUICK NEW STRENGTH AFTER ILLNESS

After a severe illness you feel so weak, you often despair of ever getting your strength back. Especially after operations, or wasting and other diseases, that affect your digestion, the thought of food is distasteful. Yet you must rebuild your body—you must have highly nourishing food.

Doctors everywhere recommend Horlicks as the food that not only can be easily digested, but that stimulates your faded appetite and pours quick new strength into your exhausted body.

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Exchange At A Glance

SELLING

| | |
|------------------|----------|
| T.T. London | 15.25/32 |
| T.T. Shanghai | 176 |
| T.T. Singapore | 153 1/2 |
| T.T. India | 102 1/2 |
| T.T. U.S.A. | 28 1/8 |
| T.T. Manila | 57 1/4 |
| T.T. Batavia | 54 1/4 |
| T.T. Bangkok | 150 3/4 |
| T.T. Saigon | 100 3/4 |
| T.T. France | 100 3/4 |
| T.T. Germany | 71 3/4 |
| T.T. Switzerland | 126 3/4 |
| T.T. Australia | 170 3/4 |

BUYING

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|-------------------------|----------|
| 4 m/s L/c London | 1/31/32 |
| 4 m/s D/p do | 1/31/32 |
| 4 m/s L/c U.S.A. | 20 3/4 |
| 4 m/s France | 11 1/2 |
| 30 d/s India | 100 3/4 |
| U.S. Cross rate in Lon. | 4.08 3/4 |

H.K. Stock Market

The following quotations were issued on the Hongkong Stock Market this morning:

BANKS

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|---------------------|-------------|
| H.K. Banks | 1400/20 sa. |
| H.K. Chartered | 87 n. |
| Mercantile, A. & B. | 27 3/4 n. |
| Mercantile, C. & E. | 13 n. |
| East Asia | 80 b. |

INSURANCES

| | |
|-------------------|----------------|
| Canton | 225 b. |
| Union | 480 b. |
| China Underwriter | call pd. 5 1/2 |
| H.K. Fire | 105 b. |

SHIPPING

| | |
|----------------|--------|
| Douglas | 60 b. |
| Steamboats | 15 n. |
| Indo-China, P. | 60 n. |
| Indo-China, D. | 24 n. |
| Shell Bearers | 85/ n. |
| Waterboats | 0 n. |

DOCKS ETC.

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|------------------|------------|
| Wharves | 118 1/2 n. |
| Docks | 19 1/4 b. |
| Providence (old) | 630 a. |
| Providence (new) | 630 a. |
| New Eng. Sh. | 600 n. |
| Sh. Docks, Sh. | 105 n. |

MINING

| | |
|----------------|----------------|
| Kailan | 183 n. |
| Raub | 835 n. |
| Venz | Goldfield 3 n. |
| Hongkong Mines | 5 n. |
| Antamoks | 43 1/2 sa. |
| Atoks | 30 1/2 sa. |
| Bagnulo Gold | 27 1/2 sa. |
| Bagnulo Cons. | 13 1/2 sa. |
| Coco Grove | 40 1/2 sa. |
| Con Mines | 35 sa. |
| Demonstrations | 15 1/2 sa. |
| LX.L. Pa. | 65 sa. |
| Gumaus | 10 1/2 sa. |
| San Mauricio | 220 sa. |
| Suyoc Consol | 20 1/2 sa. |
| Paracales | 77 sa. |

LANDS

| | |
|-----------------|------------|
| Hotels | 635 a. |
| Lands | 36 3/4 a. |
| Lands 4% deb. | 107 1/2 a. |
| Shal Lands Sh. | 94 n. |
| Humphreys | 855 n. |
| H.K. Realities | 480 n. |
| Chinaco Estates | 190 n. |

UTILITIES

| | |
|-------------------|-----------|
| Trams | 18.00 n. |
| Peak Trams (old) | 8 n. |
| Peak Trams (new) | 4 n. |
| Star Ferries | 67 1/2 a. |
| Y. Ferries (old) | 25 sa. |
| Y. Ferries (new) | 24 b. |
| China Lights | 8.00 n. |
| China Light (new) | 54 n. |
| H.K. Electric | 57 n. |
| Macao Electric | 18 1/2 a. |
| Sandakan Lights | 11.10 b. |
| Telephones (old) | 22 1/2 b. |
| Telephones (new) | 74 n. |
| Tractions s/- | 22 1/2 b. |
| Tractions (Pref.) | 23 1/2 n. |

INDUSTRIAL

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|--------------------|-----------|
| Gald. Macg. (ord.) | Sh. 14 n. |
| Cald. Macg. (Pre.) | Sh. 14 n. |
| Canton Feas. | 11 b. |
| Cements | 14 1/2 n. |
| H.K. Ropes | 4.10 b. |

STORES, &c.

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|-------------------|-----------|
| Dairy Farms | 25 1/2 b. |
| Watsons | 0.10 b. |
| Shinco | 1.80 n. |
| Lone Crawford | 1.80 n. |
| Wing On (H.K.) | 40 b. |
| Powell, Ltd. etc. | 60 n. |

COTTON MILLS

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|------------------|----------|
| Ewo Sh. | 18.60 n. |
| Shal Cotton Sh. | 104 n. |
| Zong Sines | 24 n. |
| Wing On Textiles | 40 n. |

MISC.

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| H.K. Entertainments | 7.05 b. |
| Constructions | 14 n. |
| Vibro Piling | 730 sa. |
| Ch. Govt. 5% 1925 | 100 n. |
| G.S. Bonds | 00 n. |
| H.K. Govt. 4% 1939 | 100 n. |
| H.K. Govt. 3 1/2% 1939 | 100 n. |
| Marmans (Lond.) | 17 1/2 b. |
| Marmans (H.K.) | 5/3 n. |

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

A. S. WATSON & CO., LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the FIFTY-FOURTH ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of the Company (since registration) will be held at the Hong Kong Hotel, Hong Kong, on TUESDAY, the 28TH MARCH, 1939, at 11.30 a.m. for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Managers together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31ST OCTOBER, 1938.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from SATURDAY, the 18TH MARCH, 1939, to TUESDAY, the 28TH MARCH, 1939, both days inclusive. JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON, General Managers. Hongkong, 10th March, 1939.

THE HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE CO., LTD.

Notice to Shareholders

The Seventieth Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders will be held at the Offices of the undersigned on Friday, the 24th March, 1939, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Managers, together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ended the 31st December, 1938. The Share Register and Transfer Books will be closed from the 10th to the 24th March, 1939, both days inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LTD.

General Managers, The Hongkong Fire Insurance Co., Ltd. Hongkong, 3rd March, 1939.

ST. PATRICK'S DAY FRIDAY—17th MARCH, 1939.

A wreath will be laid at the Cenotaph by the President and Committee of St. Patrick's Society, at 11.00 a.m. Members of the Society and their friends are asked to assemble under the verandah at the North side of the Supreme Court prior to the ceremony.

ST. PATRICK'S BALL PENINSULA HOTEL—9.30 p.m.

Members of St. Patrick's Society of Hong Kong and their guests are informed that there will be a Special FIVE MINUTES Service of "STAR" FERRIES from HONG KONG to KOWLOON between 9.00 p.m. and 9.30 p.m. on 17th March and SPECIAL FERRIES from KOWLOON to HONG KONG at 2.00 a.m., 2.45 a.m. and 3.15 a.m. on the following morning. The last ordinary Ferry leaves at 1.15 a.m.

A BUFFET SUPPER will be served from 11.30 p.m. to 1.30 a.m. Tables may be booked with the Management of the Peninsula Hotel before 7.00 p.m. on the night of the Ball.

Admission to the Ball is by ticket only which is to be presented at the MAIN ENTRANCE to the Hotel. Tickets may be obtained from Mr. P. J. A. Hamilton, Hon. Treasurer, P.O. Box 417 or Harbour View Hotel, Chatham Road, Kowloon.

B. H. C. HALLOWES, Hon. Secretary.

St. Patrick's Society of Hong Kong. P.O. Box 417.

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Notice to Shareholders

THE FIFTY-SECOND ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Office of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd. on THURSDAY, 23rd MARCH, 1939, at NOON, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors and the Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1938.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be CLOSED from MONDAY, the 13th March, 1939, to THURSDAY, the 23rd March, 1939, both days inclusive. By Order of the Board of Directors, C. M. MANNERS, Secretary and Manager. Hongkong, 4th March, 1939.

G. R.

PARTICULARS & CONDITIONS of the Sale by Public Auction to be held on Monday, the 20th day of March, 1939, at 3 p.m., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor of one Lot of Crown Land at Cheung Sha Wan, in the Colony of Hong Kong, for a term of 75 years, commencing from 1st July, 1898, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the KING, for one further term of 24 years less the last three days thereof.

Intending bidders are advised that immediately after the disposal of the lot the Purchaser (if not the applicant) will be required to deposit with an authorised officer who will be present at the sale, the sum of two hundred dollars, (\$200) in cash. This sum will be refunded on payment of the Purchase price.

PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

| No. of Sale | Registry No. | Locality | Boundary Measurements | Contents in sq. feet | Annual Rental | Upset Price |
|-------------|---------------------------------|---|-----------------------|----------------------|---------------|-------------|
| 1 | New Kowloon Inland Lot No. 2661 | Adjoining New Kowloon Inland Lot No. 521, Fuk Wing St. Cheung Sha Wan | as per sale plan. | About 7,000 | \$6 | \$4,200 |

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|-------------|---------------------------------|---|-----------------------|----------------------|---------------|-------------|
| 2 | New Kowloon Inland Lot No. 4124 | Junction of Chatham Road and Kiang Hai St., Chatham Rd. Shek Shan | As per sale plan. | About 1,255 | \$24 | \$1,235 |

U.S. COMMODITY PRICES

LATEST CABLED QUOTATIONS

| Mar. | May | July | Oct. | Dec. | Jan. | Spot |
|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|--------|
| 8.67/00 | 8.27/25 | 8.05/00 | 7.71/73 | 7.00/68 | 7.00/68 | 8.98 N |
| 8.63/63 | 8.23/24 | 8.02/03 | 7.74/75 | 7.00/69 | 7.07/67 | 8.98 N |

The last Notice day for March Cotton is March 17.

| Mar. | May | July | Oct. | Dec. | Jan. | Spot |
|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|
| 10.20/18 | 10.14/13 | 10.17/13 | 10.26/27 | 10.24/25 | 10.24/25 | 10.24/25 |

The last Notice day for March Rubber is March 29.

| Mar. | May | July | Oct. | Dec. | Jan. | Spot |
|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| 67 1/2% | 67 1/2% | 67 1/2% | 67 1/2% | 67 1/2% | 67 1/2% | 67 1/2% |

Wednesday's Sales—Chicago, 9,740,000 bushels.

London, Mar. 16.—Sir Basil Cochrane Newton, British Minister at Prague, has been appointed Ambassador to Baghdad.—Reuter.

G. R.

1939—1940.

Scaled Tenders will be received at the Royal Naval Hospital, until 10 a.m. on the 21st March, 1939, from persons desirous of supplying Beef, Mutton, Poultry, Pork, Cheese, Pure Cow's Milk, Ice, and other provisions, and necessities, for the year ending 31st March, 1940.

Printed Forms of Tender and further particulars can be obtained at the Royal Naval Hospital. The right to reject the lowest or any tender is reserved.

G. V. HOBBS, Surgeon Captain, Medical Officer in Charge. Royal Naval Hospital, Hong Kong. 15th. March, 1939.

G. R.

PARTICULARS & CONDITIONS of the Sale by Public Auction to be held on Monday, the 20th day of March, 1939, at 3 p.m., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor of one Lot of Crown Land at Ngau Shi Wan, in the Colony of Hong Kong, for a term of 75 years, commencing from 1st July, 1898, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the KING, for one further term of 24 years less the last three days thereof.

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|-------------|---------------------------------|---|-----------------------|----------------------|---------------|-------------|
| 3 | New Kowloon Inland Lot No. 2661 | Adjoining New Kowloon Inland Lot No. 521, Fuk Wing St. Cheung Sha Wan | As per sale plan. | About 30,400 | \$10 | \$3,060 |

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| No. of Sale | Registry No. | Locality | Boundary Measurements | Contents in sq. feet | Annual Rental | Upset Price |
|-------------|---------------------------------|---|-----------------------|----------------------|---------------|-------------|
| 4 | New Kowloon Inland Lot No. 2661 | Tokai St. between Castle Peak Rd. & On Chau St., Cheung Sha Wan | As per sale plan. | About 20,000 | \$76 | \$20,000 |

Netherlands Orders American Planes

Washington, Mar. 16. The Netherlands Military Commission has placed orders with the United States for 10 Douglas bombers in connection with the strengthening of the defences of Netherlands India. The Commission, headed by Vice-Admiral Van Dulm, is leaving for Holland to-morrow.—Reuter.

RUTHENIA APPEALS TO RUMANIANS

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weapons to the Polish frontier guards.—Trans-Ocean.

VIOLENT CLASHES

Violent clashes between Hungarian troops and Ruthenians were reported by "Trans-Ocean" from Nizny Verceky, near Polish frontier. Hungarians claim Ruthenian losses large.

OCCUPATION COMPLETED

Budapest, Mar. 16. M. Teleki announced in Parliament to-day that the Hungarians were in complete occupation of Ruthenia. He said that Ruthenia would be given "extensive administrative autonomy", under which only the army and finance would be centralised with Hungary.

A Bratislava report says that a Ukrainian spokesman told "United Press" that, according to reliable information, the Hungarians occupied Cluj, at 7 a.m. (H.K.T.).

He added that hundreds had been killed and wounded in the fighting.—United Press.

VOLOSINE SEEKS REFUGE

Sighet, Rumania, Mar. 16. M. Volosine, the Ruthenian Premier, who has taken refuge here, was accompanied by M. Stefan, Minister of Culture.

Strings of Czech military lorries, estimated to contain 50 officers and 2,000 men with their wives and families, and many household goods, crossed the frontier.

In addition, 2,000 Czech Jews and Ruthenians sought refuge here. Before the Hungarian troops entered Cluj, all Czech and Ruthenian officials fled.

The occupation of Ruthenia is not yet complete, and areas not yet stated to be in the hands of complete control.

One high Reich military official, one of many who have taken refuge here, told "Reuter" that fighting broke out in Cluj after receipt of the Hungarian ultimatum.

Members of the young Ukrainian militia, principally composed of youths, demanded the army's weapons and equipment. In the end the officers gave over practically everything, and left for Sighet. In the meantime, the Ukrainians were in the streets with rifles, vainly trying to hold the province.

The officer added that the Ukrainians would welcome Germans, but they were determined to fight the Hungarians, but they had not the slightest chance.—Reuter.

HACHA SEES HITLER

Prague, Mar. 16. Herr Hitler to-day received President Hacha at Hradshchin Castle. The Czech President was received with military honours.

The fact that the German News Agency calls M. Hacha President may indicate that he is head of the new protectorate under the style of "Protector".—Reuter.

FRONTIER CLOSED

Bucharest, Mar. 16. It is learned that the Government has decided to close the Rumanian-Ruthenian frontier to refugees.

Czech and Ruthenian refugees are still coming across the frontier, and over 5,000 are now in Dighet and the neighbourhood.

Nearly all the Czech refugees will be returned to Bohemia by the Rumanian authorities, via Yugoslavia.—Reuter.

REICH POLISH FRONTIER

Warsaw, Mar. 16. The first Hungarian patrols are reported to have reached the Polish-Ruthenian frontier at noon to-day.

Reports state that heavy snow and difficult conditions generally delayed the advance of the Hungarian troops.—Trans-Ocean.

HITLER LEAVES PRAGUE

Prague, Mar. 16. Herr Hitler left Prague this afternoon for an unannounced destination. Before his departure, the Fuehrer reviewed German students of the Prague University, who assembled in the courtyard of the Hradovany Palace to greet him.—Trans-Ocean.

GERMANY TAKES OVER LEGATIONS

London, Mar. 16. The Czechoslovak Legation in London was to-day taken possession of by the German Embassy following the proclamation of the German protectorate over Bohemia and Moravia.—Trans-Ocean.

CZECH FLAG PULLED DOWN

Tokyo, Mar. 17. The Czechoslovak flag was absent from the Czechoslovak Legation in Tokyo yesterday, while the tablet designating the name of the Legation was also removed from its gate.

Mr. Frantisek Havlicek, Czechoslovak Minister to Japan, returned from the city of Aomori where he was recuperating from an illness. Interviewed by newspapermen, he declined to comment on the European situation.

Stating that no official reports were received yet, Mr. Havlicek said that he would remain in Japan until the arrival of definite instructions from his home Government.—Domci.

JAPANESE TROOPS MOVE TO BORDER

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suddenly closed to all shipping except to Japanese military supplies, service and the South Manchurian Railway between Harbin and Munkh, terminus of the Siberian Railway, is stated to have been completely disorganised by troop movements in this area.

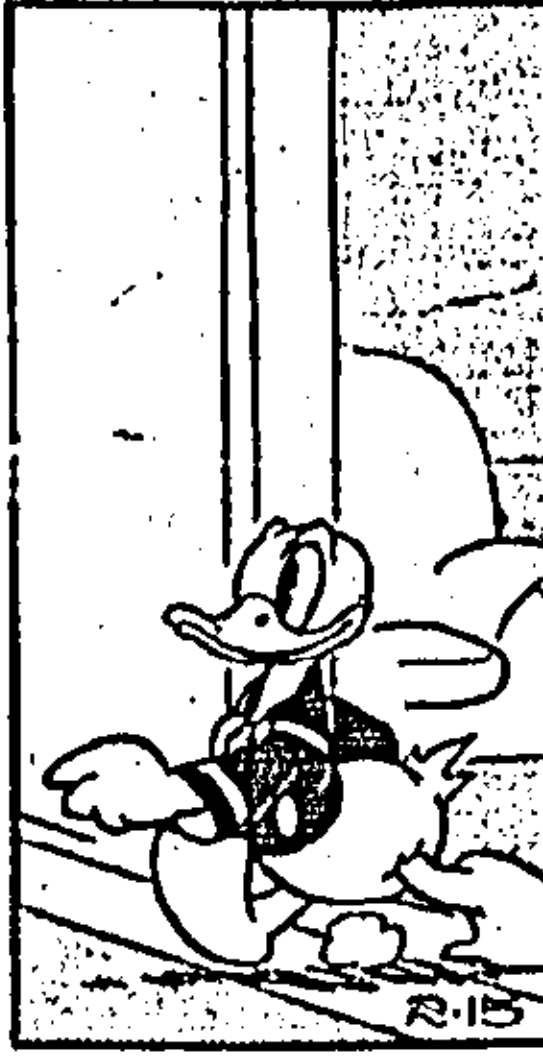
It is further learned that two new divisions of Japanese troops, numbering 40,000, landed at the beginning of the week on Saghalien Island, where the Japanese and Soviet have a mutual frontier, half of the island belonging to Japan, and half to Soviet Russia.—Reuter.

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RECORD NAVY ESTIMATES INTRODUCED IN COMMONS

New Battleships Will Be Laid Down: Gigantic Programme

BRITAIN'S RECORD Naval Estimates were introduced into the House of Commons by Mr. Geoffrey Shakespeare last night.

They provide for an expenditure of £149,000,000, an all-time record.

Forty-three new warships laid down last year will be joined by another sixty vessels this year.

Far-reaching methods have been adopted to avert the menace of the submarine and aeroplane.

The new programme includes two 40,000-ton battleships with 16-in. guns, bringing the present strength of 15 capital ships to twenty-one by the end of 1943.

During this year British dockyards will be engaged in the construction of some 200 vessels totalling 870,000 tons, including nine battleships, six aircraft carriers, 25 cruisers, 43 destroyers and 19 submarines.

Introducing the Navy Estimates for £149,000,000, an increase of £23,000,000 on last year's, which were themselves record peace time estimates, the Parliamentary Secretary to the Admiralty said that Members would be gratified that no less than £201,000,000 of that great total were in respect of shipbuilding and engineering work on vessels of the new construction programmes of 1939, and previous years, and the repair of the existing fleet now ending, 43 warships had been added to the navy, and in course of 1939 another 60 would have joined the fleet. He thought the House would be impressed with the magnitude and balance of the 1939 building programme, which included two fast battleships of 40,000 tons displacement, and with 16-inch gun armament, four trade protection cruisers, a large aircraft-carrier, two flotillas of destroyers, and twenty escort vessels of a new type of high speed and with armament designed to meet submarine and aircraft attack.

RECORD PRODUCTION
The fact that dockyards and shipbuilding yards would, in the course of the year, be engaged in building some 200 war vessels of total of 870,000 tons, was a measure of national productive effort for naval defence which had never before been approached in peace time. This output would exceed by nearly thirty per cent. the annual tonnage completed in years just before the last great war. They would be completing 220,000 tons a year compared with an average of 170,000 tons in the years between 1912 and 1914, while the ton for ton productive effort involved—taking into account the increasing complexity of design, fuller protection, and heavier armament—would be three times greater for battleships, and as much as six and half times greater for destroyers.

As an example of this, Mr. Shakespeare mentioned that the cost of five control gear in the King George V, launched in 1912 was £11,000, while that in the battleship of the same

name launched recently by the King was £213,000.

The Minister went on to show that it was not only in respect of ships that production was increasing. Over the last three years the output of heavy guns had increased twenty-fold, and of medium and light guns by five and eight times respectively. As regards mines, torpedoes, depth charges, shells, and fuses, he assured the House that the Admiralty had organised a supply estimated to suffice for at least the first year of a war.

Passages of Mr. Shakespeare's speech, which were followed with close attention, dealt with measures for meeting the special threats of submarine and aerial attack.

SUBMARINE MENACE
As to submarines the Parliamentary Secretary argued that the danger had been exaggerated through the neglect to observe that of some 16,500 vessels sunk by enemy submarine action in last war, only 102 were sunk while in convoy. As soon as the convoy system was adopted in 1917, the submarine menace demonstrably diminished. As a result of two years close co-operation between the Admiralty and leaders of the shipping industry, he could state they would be in a position to institute a convoy organisation soon after the outbreak of war on any route where it was considered necessary. They had already in stock sufficient anti-submarine guns to meet all expected requirements. Over 9,000 officers of the merchant navy had already attended a course in convoy protection or gunnery. Appropriate armament equipment for a large number of ships, which would immediately be taken over for anti-submarine work on the outbreak of war, was already in stock.

Mr. Shakespeare then turned to the immense progress since the last war in the scientific aids to anti-submarine warfare. He said: "I

cannot, of course, reveal the nature and extent of our progress in this respect, but I believe our methods of detecting, hunting, and killing submarines are more advanced than any other in the world," and he described to members the solvent for submerged submarines whose position was unknown in which he had himself taken part, and as result of which experience, he felt able to accept the claim of experts, that in favourable circumstances, in nine cases out of ten, the exact position of a submarine could be detected without any doubt.

Finally he drew attention to the success of the Nyron patrol in the Mediterranean as proof that those in control of a submarine did not themselves underestimate the capacity of British ships to carry out the threat to sink any found submerged in certain areas.

ANTI-AIR ATTACKS

Regarding attack from the air, the policy of the Admiralty had been to concentrate in warships the most modern anti-aircraft guns possible—there has been an increase in the number of such guns of 75 per cent. and an attack on a ship bristling with anti-aircraft guns would be a very different matter from attacks on defenceless merchant shipping of which they had had recent examples in Spanish waters.

Moreover, this did not take into account the presence of aircraft of the fleet air arm, or co-operating R.A.F. squadrons. In the case of convoys of defensively armed merchant ships, there would be the closest co-operation with the R.A.F. as they came into narrow seas and approached home waters.

Generally the Board of the Admiralty believed that the British fleet was so strong to-day that it could confidently accept direct challenge in battle by any combination of foes.

Other matters touched upon by the Parliamentary Secretary were the cruising and progress of the fleet air arm in the process of transfer from the control of the R.A.F. to the navy. They had just had a record year for recruiting—some 18,000 officers and men having entered the navy in 1938, picked out of 70,000 applicants.

He also mentioned that new aircraft-carriers, which would come into commission from 1940 onwards had been placed, and production was in full swing. Several new types would start bulk delivery during the year.

The total personnel of the fleet air arm increased from 3,000 in 1937 to 6,000 to-day, and would reach 10,000 in 1942.

QUALIFIED APPROVAL

Mr. A. V. Alexander for the opposition expressed qualified satisfaction with the progress revealed in the estimates speech. The Admiralty had taken measures for the development of the country's naval power which would have been excellent in ordinary circumstances, but his criticism was that the National Government's foreign policy had led Britain into the position in which the navy had to face a series of strategic facts and strategic dangers which it ought never to have had to face, and which might maroon it even with the enormous expenditure which the House was being asked to approve. Its strength might not be sufficient to give the country the naval security so vital to it.—British Wireless.

F.B.I. Delegation Leaves Germany

London Mar. 16.—The Federation of British Industries delegation to Düsseldorf is returning to London to-morrow, and has abandoned its intention of spending a day in Berlin due to the postponement of the visit of Mr. Hudson and Mr. Stanley.

An agreement was signed to-day by the F.B.I. delegation and the Reichsgruppe. Both consider that negotiations for this purpose should be started immediately and that a joint standing committee should be appointed which would meet in England in June to report on progress.—Reuter.

Quarantine restrictions have been imposed by the Government of Colombia against arrivals from Hongkong on account of smallpox.

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1.00 Local Time Signal and Weather Report.

1.05 Danny Malone (Tenor) in an Irish Programme.

Draper's Maggot (arr. Arnold Foster); The Hole In The Wall (arr. Arnold Foster)... Folk Dance Orchestra cond. by Arnold Foster; Be-leave Me, If All Those Endearing Young Charms (Moore, arr. Clu-land)... Danny Malone (Tenor) with Orchestra; Tell Her I Am—Jig Medley; The Morning Dew—Reel Medley; Michael Coleman (Violin) with Piano; Her Name Is Mary (Sleever and Ramsay); Sweetheart Darling (film 'Peg o' my Heart')... Danny Malone (Tenor) with Orchestra; Albert Sandler (Violin) with Sidney Torch at the Organ.

1.30 Reuter and Rugby Press, Weather Forecast and Announcements.

1.40 Danny Malone (Tenor) in an Irish Programme.

The Irish Organist—Medley (arr. T. Casey)... Terence Casey (Organ); The Hills Of Donegal (Sanderson); The Bard Of Armagh (arr. Herbert Hughes)... Danny Malone (Tenor) with Orchestra; Irish Washerwoman (arr. Sowerby); Turkey In The Straw (Gulon)... Light Symphony Orchestra; With My Shillelagh Under My Arm (O'Brien and Wallace); Phil The Fluter's Ball (French)... Peter Dawson (Bass-Baritone) with Orchestra.

2.15 Close Down.

2.00 Relay of the Dance Orchestra from the Roof Gardens of the Hongkong Hotel.

(a) You and Me; (b) The Big Dipper; (c) Serenade to the Stars; (d) Vieni Vieni.

6.14 Record: Robins and Roses (Leslie, Burke); Would You? (film 'San Francisco')... Bing Crosby (Vocal) Victor Young and His Orchestra.

6.21 (a) After you've gone; (b) A-tiskit A-tasket; (c) Until the real thing comes along; (d) Boston Ter-pary.

6.35 Records: Day-In—Day-Out—Quickstep; Mine Alone—Slow Fox-Trot... Gerry Doore (Piano) with String Bass and Drums; I Have Lost My Heart In Budapest (Mihaly, Weiner)... Raymond Baird (Saxophone) with orchestra.

6.45 London Relay—Intermission! A programme of novelty numbers

7.15 Closing Local Stock Quotations.

7.17 Grieg Songs and the Peer Gynt Suite No. 2.

In the Boat, Op. 60, No. 3; A Swan, Op. 25, No. 2... Kirsten Flagstad (Soprano) with Piano accomp. by Edwin McArthur; Peer Gynt Suite No. 2, Op. 65... New Light Symphony Orchestra cond. by Eugene Goossens; A Dream... Beniamino Gigli (Tenor) and the Berlin State Opera Orchestra cond. by Bruno Seidler-Winkel.

7.45 Chorus.

The Family Song Album; Intro: Little Annie Rooney; Ta-ra-ra-boom-de-ay; Man Who Broke the Bank at Monte Carlo; Let's all Go Down the Strand; If You Were the Only Girl in the World, Daddy Wouldn't Buy Me a Bow-Wow; Play to Me, Gipsy... Hughie Green and His Gang with Piano; Jack Hylton Throws A Party... Guests: Tommy Handley, Hilda Munday and Billy Caryl; Peg Doll; Tom Webster; Jack Barty; Nelson Keys; Freddie Fox; The Swingtette with Jack Hylton's Boys.

8.00 Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.

8.02 London Relay—"St. Patrick's Day".

A talk by Oliver St. J. Gogarty.

8.15 A programme of Irish Music with John McCormack (Tenor) and Others.

Irish Rhapsody (Herbert)... New Light Symphony Orchestra; I Met An Angel (Sleever-Morgan); Shannon River (Egan-Morgan)... John McCormack (Tenor) with Piano accomp. by Edwin Schneider; The Fairy Tales Of Ireland (Eric Coates)... Eileen Aakland (Contralto) with Orchestra; Irish Quadrille... Patricia Dance Orchestra; Green Isle Of Erin (Bing-Hoskey); The Kerry Dance (Molloy)... John McCormack (Tenor) with Orchestra cond. by Lawrence Collingwood; Jeanie With The Light Brown Hair (Foster); Sweetly She Sleeps, My Alice Fair (Foster)... John McCormack (Tenor) with Piano accomp. by Edwin Schneider.

9.00 London Relay—Food for Thought.

Three short talks on matters of topical interest.

9.20 Next week's programme.

9.30 London Relay—The News.

9.50 Songs by Essie Ackland (Contralto): The Great Awakening (Johnstone and Kramer); A Summer Night (A. Goring Thomas)... with Organ accomp. by Herbert Dawson.

10.00 London Relay—The Retreat from Kabul, 1842.

A reading from an account written by the only survivor Dr. William Brydon.

10.20 Dance Music.

Fox-Trots—In Cherry Blossom Lane; You're Looking For Romance... Eddie Carroll and The Cusani Club Orchestra with Vocal Refrain; Fox-Trot—Why Can't We Make Love; Slow Fox-trot—Broken Hearted Clown... Harry Roy and His Orchestra with Vocal Refrain; Tangos: Eternal Sun; Golden Stars... Heinz Huppertz and His Orchestra; Fox-Trot—Two Sleepy People (film 'Thanks for the Memory'); Quickstep—'I've Got A Pocketful Of Dreams (film 'Sing you Sinners')... M. Piero and His Silet Dance Troupe Orchestra; Fox-Trots—They All Laughed (film 'Shall we Dance?'); 'I've Got Be-ginner's Luck (film 'Shall we Dance?')... Harry Roy and His Orchestra with Vocal Refrain; Tangos—Siempre Unidos; El Que A Hierro Mata... Orquesta Tipica Francisco Canaro, with vocal refrain; Fox-Trot—Slip That Bass (film 'Shall we Dance?')... Harry Roy and His Orchestra with vocal refrain.

11.00 Close Down.

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DEATH

LELLO.—Suddenly at Macao on March 11, Helena Loureiro Lello, widow of the late Dr. A. P. Lello, and dearly beloved daughter of Mrs. Mary Loureiro 6 Peak Road.

The
Hongkong Telegraph.
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March 17, 1939

Democracy on Trial

WHAT IS clear regarding the rape of Czechoslovakia is that that country, whilst not perfect in its administration of minorities, suffered dismemberment and oblivion not for its own sins against minorities, as Hitler would have us believe, but for the ambitions of other states to confiscate those minorities and the territory they inhabit.

Czechoslovakia's fate was sealed not so much because it was damned by its minorities as because it was blessed by geography that became the target for the sort of attack against which even the fastness of Bohemia proved inadequate fortification.

"Whoever is master of Bohemia is master of Europe." The thought was Bismarck's, and every attempt of German leaders to move eastward has impressed them with the sagacity of that observation.

How Herr Hitler will be able to reconcile his previous expressions of the right of self-determination with the seizure of a land in which nearly eight million people now become a minority in Germany is hard to conceive.

In September, it will be recalled, Herr Hitler purported to desire no more than the absorption of Germany's own kin and expressed disclaimed all intention of dominating the Czechs. Now then, is the satisfaction of that right for the Czechs not as much a sine qua non of European peace as the satisfaction of the rights of the German minority. There is no reconciling Herr Hitler's solemn pledges and undertakings at Munich, and subsequently, in his speech at Nuremberg, with his actions in Central Europe and, to our shame, we have been made, unwittingly perhaps, a party to the dismemberment of a nation which put its trust in Democracy.

Democracy's diplomacy has lamentably failed against the Totalitarianism. Firstly, forgotten Hitler's could at least have been Emperor of a considerable portion of his country had he broken faith with the nations who broke faith with him. Spain would not have faced the threat of vassalage to Rome had Democracy insisted that the Non-Intervention policy which it framed had been carried out. Democracy undoubtedly has failed China.

The record, in fact, is one Totalitarian States will view with satisfaction and historians with contempt.

Downpatrick claims with Saul the honour of being his last resting place—at any rate there is a stone there which has acquired importance as the Saint's tombstone.

The same stone indeed is reputed to cover two other saintly remains, for there is an old couplet which runs—
"In Down three saints one tomb fill
Patrick, Bridget and Columcille."

To-day Irishmen the world over celebrate the Day of—

SAINT PATRICK

T O-DAY, Irishmen the world over, and not least in Hongkong, are honouring the memory of their patron Saint. And no one has a better right to that title than St. Patrick—even though he was born in Scotland or, as some say, in Wales.

THE STORY of his life is obscured yet enriched by legends.

The Book of Lismore tells us that when the newly born child was taken for

by
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St. Patrick's Breastplate—his hymn on the Trinity—was for long supposed by the Irish peasantry to have the power of warding off evil.

This was presumably an extension of the Saint's own power to perform miracles.

He is popularly credited with being responsible for the expulsion of all venomous snakes from Ireland.

On another occasion, we are told, he emerged victorious from a contest in magic skill with a Druid priest at Tara.

Luceinmuel, the Druid, was

able by incantations to cover the plain with snow, though he could only make it disappear at the same hour a day later.

"Thou canst do evil, but not good," said St. Patrick, and when he had blessed the plain the snow was no longer there.

LEGEND APART, however, it is an undoubted historical fact that Irish civilisation owes much to St. Patrick.

His missionary work did a great deal to spread the light, not only of Christian knowledge, but of the civilisation and culture that went with it.

He bridged the gap between the Irish and the Roman churches; and in the strength his organisation gave to the scattered Christian communities of the country did Ireland find the seeds of her future greatness as a land of "saints and scholars."

YOUR HEART —Forget It

HAVE you ever been to your doctor to ask for a thorough overhaul? If so, I wager you heaved a sigh of relief on hearing his "Nothing wrong with your heart, anyway" than at anything else.

People worry about their hearts too much, and if it isn't their hearts it's their blood pressure. I remember a man who led a sedentary life in town, and reaped its usual fruit in extra fat, a bluish complexion, a tendency to bronchitis, and shortness of breath.

I took him to one of the greatest heart experts in London. And this is what the specialist said to him: "I wouldn't change hearts with you for worlds. Yours is simply overfed and under-exercised. Go up to the mountains and give it some better work to do than just pumping blood through that unnecessary encumbrance of fat. Go and slim yourself."

So the man climbed a hill or two daily. The result was that his heart, overworked through labouring to nourish excess tissue, recovered its full strength. He is now the most active man of his age I know.

EVERY doctor is familiar with the worried patient who says "I want you to have a look at my heart; I've been having such pains there lately." The doctor finds in almost every case just what he expects: a normal heart, but a stomach overburdened with fatulence.

Adults are terribly easily scared about their hearts. When they are overworked or worried their hearts every now and then give a beat out of rhythm. They feel this like a sudden pounding, and get alarmed.

Yet all they want is a little explanation, the possibility of getting better sleep with the aid of a sedative, and the hope even of a holiday.

Blood pressure is another great phobia. I used to know a clergyman of 81 whose son was a doctor. The son was very proud of his father's blood pressure, which reached the astronomical height of 230, yet never seemed to interfere with the old boy's habit of going out into the garden to lay out a new flower-bed in the morning, and going for a row on the lake in the afternoon.

So don't worry about the blood pressure or the hardness of the arteries either till your doctor tells you to. Before anything adverse happens to you in that line there are likely to be great discoveries made. They are on the way now; and I shall tell you about them shortly.

GRIN AND BEAR IT By Lichty



BRITAIN PREPARES—IV

NATIONAL SERVICE

EDITOR'S NOTE: In the next war Britain, for the first time

in 900 years, will be in grave danger of armed invasion. In the past the navy kept her shore intact. The danger now is from the air. To meet this modern peril, Britain is organising her civil population. Every able-bodied man and woman will have a job to do. This series of articles, which concludes to-day, tells the story of Britain's army of "passive defence," and of the hundred-and-one other ways in which Britain is preparing for war at home.

ALONGSIDE the general Government plan, local authorities, public utilities, and private firms are doing their own bit for Britain's defence in the next war.

In the case of local authorities, while they have more or less a free hand to decide their own means of defence, they are controlled by the Government to this extent: that the national exchequer will loan from 60 to 85 per cent. of the cost.

It is estimated that this means an expenditure of about £2,500,000 a year over four years, with a continuing cost of 70 per cent. of that paid by the local authorities.

HERE ARE some of their schemes:

The Port of London covers an area of 45 miles of docks and quays and 70 miles of river. It has a population of 20,000,000 with a radius of 100 miles of the river. An average of 1,000 ships pass through it every week, and it has an actual population of 60,000, 20,000 of whom work on the river.

To protect this vital source of supplies, the balloon barrage and anti-aircraft guns will be particularly closely clustered in the port area. In addition, the river workers are being trained in special A.R.P. work, and the stevedores are learning to load and unload at night in a minimum of light.

Shelters and decontamination and first-aid huts are being built. Trenches are being dug, and at some places barges will be used as shelters. It is planned that there will be cover of some sort every few hundred yards.

Four thousand volunteers are needed, and it is estimated that 2,000 have enrolled already.

The seventy miles of river as far as Teddington has been divided into 25 sections, and it is planned to have a fleet of fire-fighting tugs, and barges with fire-pumps towed by motor-boats. Another idea is to have scores of fast motor-boats as dispatch riders.

The heads of the heavy industry concerns have been in conference, and have drawn up plans to put it on a wartime basis at 24 hours' notice. The iron and steel industries have a plan of co-ordination that will enable a turn-out of 14,000,000 tons annually—a figure never yet achieved. The engineering industry is ready to switch to munitions. Committees of supply for labour and material have been appointed.

The coal industry has made arrangements to prevent the rush of miners to the army as they did in the world war.

The motor-car factories are all geared to switch over to airplane construction.

WHILE THE government laboratories are experimenting in methods of propulsion for plant, vehicles and fuel, the oil industry is also making its own arrangements. At the oil and gasoline reserves, particularly along the Thames, special fire precautions have been

installed. Special evacuation plans have been drawn up, and high walls and deep trenches have been dug around the tanks to prevent fire from spreading. At one depot a huge concrete saucer has been built around the tanks to catch the burning liquid.

In addition the motor car industry has instituted a national register of its own, and it already knows the capacity of 20,000 garages in the country. It has divided Britain into areas and districts with lists of all owners and operators of commercial vehicles, but not private cars. Local officers will have power to commandeer in an emergency.

The electricity concerns have decided to form a national reserve of equipment. It will cost about £3,000,000, and they hope the government will pay half. The remainder will be raised by a levy on authorised undertakings, but not at the expense of the taxpayer.

THE METROPOLITAN WATER BOARD, some time ago, decided to spend over £400,000 on defence, of which the government promised to provide £165,000. The board has already spent £300,000, and is getting a little worried about the government grant.

The money is being spent on portable pumping plant, units for sterilizing fouled mains, steel plates for windows and roofs of pumping stations, fire mains and hydrants, and shelters at works, pumping stations, and in the basement of the head offices. The key personnel of 27,000 has been trained in A.R.P.

Under the direction of the British Medical Association, the co-ordination of all medical services under a single body is being arranged. A national register of doctors and nurses is being prepared.

AND TO CONCLUDE this series there are some random items showing how Britain has adopted the motto: "Be Prepared."

Sir John Anderson has stated that 500,000 men and women will be needed for A.R.P. work in wartime. He also said that under the national service scheme recruits will be instructed less in anti-gas precautions than in incendiary bombs and high explosives.

There were approximately 1,100,000 volunteers for A.R.P.—720,000 men and 380,000 women—at the end of January.

Southport, Lancashire, is the first district to put out the "house full" sign for A.R.P. work.

Sandbags are being manufactured at the rate of 2,000,000 a week. During the crisis 8,000,000 were available. A total of 275,000,000 is scheduled.

One of the organisations under the heading of national service is the Auxiliary Territorial Service for women. They are the successors to the famous war-time W.A.C.'s, and they will perform non-combatant duties with the regular and territorial armies and the Royal Air Force. A strength of 2,000 officers (Continued on Page 11.)

FREDDIE AN AMERICAN?

New York, Mar. 16.
FREDDIE BARTHOLOMEW, £300-a-week British boy film star, and his Aunt Millicent, his guardian, may become American citizens.

"I am earning my living here and I propose to remain here," was the reason given to-day in Hollywood by Miss Bartholomew.

"Naturally, I must consider the legal effect of my application for citizenship papers on Freddie's status. I am legally his mother under American law, but I am uncertain whether any change on my part automatically makes Freddie American until he is 21."

Freddie himself said: "I like America and Americans tremendously, but I still regard England as my country and King George VI. as my king."

Freddie plans to enrol at Culver Military Academy for the summer session in July and August.

Italian Note To China

Protest At Killing Of Missionary

CHUNGKING, Mar. 16.
THE ITALIAN EMBASSY has presented a note to the Chinese Government protesting strongly in connection with the reported assassination of the Italian Charge d'Affaires, Signor Cocchi di Kwolsien, on the Hutah River in Shansi.

Father Cocchi was assassinated by Chinese soldiers while celebrating mass in the Church of Solat.—Trans-Ocean.

Roosevelt To Press For Guam Base

Washington, Mar. 16.
Senator Walsh, chairman of the Senate Naval Affairs Committee indicated after a conference at the White House to-day, that President Roosevelt intends to press for the construction of "harbour developments" at Guam at a cost of \$5,000,000, despite the one set-back from Congress which rejected the Guam item in the original appropriations.

Senator Walsh said that the President had not objected to the elimination of the Guam project from the current naval base Bill, but he would probably recommend its inclusion in a later Bill authorising expenditures for the development of various rivers and harbours. —Reuter.

Australia Trebles Its Air Force

Colombo, Mar. 16.
Details of the extensive developments of the Australian air force were given by Air Vice-Marshal William, Chief of Staff of the Australian Air Force, while visiting here to-day.

He said that the Australian air force has been trebled in the last three years.

When the expansion was completed, Australia would have 19 squadrons, two flying schools, and two armament centres.

He thought that manufacture of aircraft in the Commonwealth would probably start shortly. —Reuter Special.

Bulgarian Premier In Turkey

Istanbul, Mar. 16.
The Bulgarian Premier, M. Kiossevanoff arrived here to-day en route to Ankara to see President Inonu.

Turkish political circles attach great importance to the talks which may mark a step towards completion of the formidable Balkan bloc by the adhesion of Bulgaria, though it is believed Bulgaria will not join the bloc without concession to its revisionist claims.—Reuter.

Passengers Steal Taxi

Police are searching for four Chinese who seized a taxi-cab at Pokfulam at 1.30 a.m. after threatening driver and drove away without him. Taxi was later recovered at Wongnei-chong Gap Road. Driver reports that four men hired taxi at Wanahai to go to Pokfulam and when reached destination threatened him in argument over fare. He ran away and passengers made off with car.

China Currency Bill Legislation

London, Mar. 16.
The Chinese Currency Bill will be passed in all its stages in the House of Commons next week.

The second reading will be on Monday, and the remaining stages dealt with on Friday.—Reuter.

NAZIS SUPREME IN NEWEST CAPITAL

STATESMEN AND DIPLOMATS all over Europe to-day have their eyes on Chust. Chust is the capital of Ruthenia (now known as Carpatho-Ukraine), one of the three semi-autonomous provinces of Czechoslovakia divided up this week.

Carpatho-Ukraine's 750,000 inhabitants saw themselves as the spearhead of a nationalist movement by which an Ukrainian State would be set up embracing the 30,000,000 Ukrainians in the U.S.S.R. and the millions in Poland.

Hitler encouraged them, for the detachment of the Soviet Ukraine has long been one of his aims. But Hungary, which does not desire a Ukrainian Republic on her frontier, appears to have forestalled Hitler by marching into Chust. Below a special correspondent exclusively tells of conditions in Chust just before the Hungarian occupation yesterday.

ALL NEWS IS CENSORED

(By a Correspondent)

CHUST, Mar. 16.
HEADQUARTERS of a movement which will in the next few years affect 45 million Ukrainians, Chust, capital of Carpatho-Ukraine, is to-day a hotbed of intrigue, espionage, and counter-espionage, with Germany playing the leading role.

I have just made a visit of investigation to this struggling, insular, muddy little town of 25,000 people, and it is almost impossible to tell the truth about Carpatho-Ukraine while within its frontiers.

Every non-German foreigner appears to be automatically regarded by the authorities as hostile and suspicious.

As in Germany there is officially no censorship of outgoing news, but no journalist can send a telegram or make a telephone call without its entire contents being known to the Government.

A British resident was recently summoned to the police headquarters to answer an entirely trumped-up accusation of "having conspired with a Polish agent" during a visit to a distant part of the country on the previous day.

Political activity in Chust is concentrated in the Government Building, as the former municipal offices are now called in the larger of the town's two hotels.

The hotel manager is a German-speaking Ukrainian who, until a few years ago, had lived in Brno, Moravia.

Every night at the hotel a table with the Swastika flag is reserved for German residents and visitors.

Prominent among them is the local correspondent of the "Volksischer Beobachter." He appears to be regarded as an official representative of the Reich.

TORCH PARADE

On the night before the recent elections, first under the autonomous regime, a crowd of about 1,000 villagers stood about in the mud for a couple of hours listening to gramophone records of Ukrainian music amplified through loud speakers installed on a balcony of the Stith headquarters.

Speeches were made by the Propaganda Chief, M. Kominsky, and by M. Voron, the General Secretary of the Ukrainian National Union, the only political party.

Besides the speeches and music, a bonfire was lit on a local hilltop, the people were ordered to hang out blue and yellow Ukrainian flags.

Liturgical candles were placed in the windows and there was even to have been a torchlight procession. A snowfall, however, made it necessary for the procession to go without its torches.

Initiation of the Nazis by the members of the Stith, includes the use of the raised right arm for saluting and a greeting "Slava Ukraini" which, translated, is roughly "Heil the Ukraine."

SIMPLE PEASANTS

The Stith and the Ukrainian National Union have also sent a telegram to Hitler stating that they associate themselves with the anti-Comintern Pact.

German influence is such that it is almost impossible to interview a Ukrainian Minister or higher official without a Nazi agent being present at the meeting.

So superstitious are these simple-minded peasants that M. Voron created a profound impression on those who voted "No" would be traitors, and that when they died the earth would reject them from their graves.

This, apparently, is one of the greatest curses which can befall a Ukrainian.

Spelling Bee

HOW many of these words are correct and what is wrong with the others?

holocaust assessor
hobnobbed assayer
homestead ribstone
English Oxford Dictionary spelling of these words will be found on page 6.

HITLER'S PROCLAMATION

"Occupied Area Belongs To Greater Reich"

PRAGUE, Mar. 16.

HERR JOACHIM VON RIBBENTROP, the Reich Foreign Minister, to-day broadcast over all German and Czech radio stations, the following proclamation issued by Herr Adolf Hitler:

"For 1,000 years the lands of Bohemia and Moravia belonged to the sphere of the German nation. Violence, coupled with a lack of understanding, arbitrarily tore from their ancient and historic environment, and included them in the artificial Czechoslovak State, with the result that a centre of permanent unrest was created.

"The danger increased every year that this region might again—as had already once been the case in the past—become a terrain of menace to European peace, since the Czechoslovak Government had not succeeded in organising co-operation of the artificially united groups, and had therefore failed to establish the preservation of their common State.

INCAPACITY TO LIVE

"The Czechoslovak State, therefore, demonstrated its own inherent incapacity to live, and has now succumbed to an inevitable dissolution. The German Reich, however, cannot tolerate lasting disturbances in a region which is so vitally important alike for its own tranquillity and security, and for the general welfare and peace.

"As a Power, which, both for historical and geographical reasons is most greatly interested and affected, Germany would, sooner or later, have had to bear the direct consequences.

"Hence, it is but conformable with the law of self-preservation that the German Reich should be determined to intervene, in order to restore the foundations of reasonable conditions in Central Europe, and to take measures accordingly.

REICH ALONE CAPABLE

"In the course of its 1,000 years of history, it has been proved that the German Reich is alone capable of solving this problem by reason alike of strength and of the peculiar qualities of the German people.

"Inspired by the wish to serve the real interests of the people and inhabitants of this region, of assuring the maintenance of the national characteristics of the German and Czech peoples, and of contributing to peace and social welfare of all, I therefore, in the name of the German Reich, promulgate herewith the following enactments:

"Article 1: That the part of the territory of the former Czechoslovakia Republic occupied by German troops in March, 1939 belongs henceforth to the territory of the Greater German Reich, under the protection of which it is placed as the Protectorate of Bohemia and Moravia."

"Article 2: German inhabitants of the protectorate will become German nationals and citizens of the Reich conformably with the provisions of the Reich Law of September 10, 1935. Articles of that Law relating to the protection of German blood and German honour will consequently apply also to them, and they will be subject to the jurisdiction of the German courts. Other inhabitants of Bohemia and Moravia will be citizens of the protectorate of Bohemia and Moravia."

"Article 3: The protectorate of Bohemia and Moravia is autonomous, and has its own administration. It exercises its sovereign rights within the status of the protectorate in keeping with the political, military and economic interests of the Reich. Such sovereign rights will be exercised by the protectorate's own administrations and with its own officials.

"Article 4: The head of the autonomous administration of the protectorate of Bohemia and Moravia enjoys the protection and the rights of honour usually accorded to the head of a State. The head of the protectorate, for carrying out his duties, must possess the confidence of the Fuehrer and the Reich Chancellor.

"Article 5: As protector of the interests of the Reich, the Reich protector in Bohemia and Moravia is appointed by the Fuehrer with residence in Prague. The Reich protector, as representative of the Fuehrer and the Reich Chancellor, has a duty to see that the political direction of the protectorate is carried out. Members of the protectorate's Government must be confirmed by the Reich-Protector. This confirmation may be withdrawn. The Reich Protector is entitled to information on all measures he believes likely to be against the Reich's interests, and in case of danger, can take in common interest measures which he deems necessary. The announcement of laws, decrees, or other proposed measures, as well as the practical application of administrative measures and legal decisions is to be postponed if the Reich Protector protests.

"Article 6: The foreign affairs of the protectorate, especially the pro-

tection of its subjects abroad, are taken care of by the Reich. The Reich will conduct foreign affairs in accordance with common interests. The protectorate will have a representative attached to the Reich Government styled a 'Minister.'"

"Article 7: The Reich gives military protection to the protectorate. In order to fulfil this duty, the Reich will keep garrisons and military establishments in the protectorate. In order to preserve order and peace within the protectorate, the protectorate will be allowed to keep its own organisations, but their strength, number, and armaments is fixed by the Reich Government.

"Article 8: The Reich is entitled to pass laws with validity for the protectorate if necessary in common interests. As far as common interests exist, the Reich can take over part of the protectorate's administration into the direct Reich administration, and install the necessary Reich authorities. The Reich Government is entitled to take all measures necessary to keep up safety and order.

"Article 12: Jurisdiction at present in force in Bohemia and Moravia remains valid unless contradictory in the sense of the protection taken over by the Reich.

"Article 13: The Reich Home Minister, in collaboration with other competent Reich Ministers, will issue all legal and administrative ordinances necessary for the carrying-through of this enactment.

Dated March 16, 1939, and signed by the Fuehrer and Reich Chancellor, Adolf Hitler, the Reich Home Minister, Dr. Frick, the Reich Foreign Minister, Herr von Ribbentrop, and the Reich Minister and Chief of the Reich Chancellery, Dr. Lammers.—Trans-Ocean.

(Articles 9 to 11 were omitted by "Trans-Ocean").

A Look Through The "Telegraph"

50 YEARS AGO

March 17, 1889.
A refreshingly cool night faced the singletaire this morning. He went into a house in Western Avenue, and after the door of its hinges, preparatory to removing the building. Six weeks.

It is pleasing to read that Queen Victoria had intended to spend the last of her life in a quiet retirement, relaxing the strict rules about the cut of dresses of ladies attending the drawing-rooms. So far as early spring fashions are concerned, they will not be required to expose themselves half naked to the bleak air of a March day.

25 YEARS AGO

March 17, 1914.
The Duke of Wellington has forwarded a letter to the Lord Mayor of London appealing to the public for £10,000 sterling with which to acquire the battlefields of Waterloo on the occasion of his centenary, and the present day building upon it. The Committee already formed includes Lord Roberts and Lord Methuen.

The suffragists daubed with white paint on the entire interior of Birmingham Cathedral the words "Votes for Women" and similar war cries. The magnificent Birmingham windows are feared to be permanently disfigured.

10 YEARS AGO

March 17, 1929.
How fast can a motor car go? It is the opinion of designers of racing cars that a speed of 250 miles an hour will some day be attained. Although when Captain Campbell hung up his record of 250.95 miles per hour, it was believed that his record would stand indefinitely.

One of the difficulties in the speed tests of the racing car is in timing the car when it is making its best mile. Since the relative speed of a car is affected by the direction and velocity of the wind, the racing rules require that runs be made in both directions and that an average be struck. (The record is now 357 m.p.h., set by George Eyston last September. Timing is now regarded automatically by an electric eye).—Ed.

5 YEARS AGO

March 17, 1934.
H.M.S. Cornwall and H.M.S. Wren will be thrown open to visitors tomorrow.

Heldress to the great Woolworth millions, Princess Alexis Mdivani passed through Hongkong yesterday by the Lloyd-Lyons liner Costa Verde, accompanied by Prince Alexis.

Prince and Princess Mdivani are on a belated honeymoon. They were married in June last year but the press of social engagements forced the popular couple to delay the honeymoon.

In addition to the first suite on the Costa Verde extra cabins were occupied by members of her party, including her companion and secretary, and her cousin and his valet.

Forty trunks, marked with the Mdivani crest in the form of a royal crown, contain the Princess' wardrobe, from the smartest Parisian dress-makers, and a separate case hold her collection of jewels and costume accessories.

JAPANESE BOMB KULING

Nanchang, Mar. 17.
Kuling, the famous summer resort in north Kiangsi, was bombed by nine Japanese planes on Tuesday.

It may be recalled that though a part of the foreign residents atop the hill were evacuated recently, many others who are unable to evacuate still remain.

The Japanese raiders dropped over ten bombs. One missile hit a British residence which was conspicuously marked by a British flag. A tailor seeking shelter there was killed. Another missile landed in the campus of an American school. All the other bombs, including several incendiaries, fell on vacant lots.—Central News.

CHINESE PLANES SWING INTO ACTION

Wanchiatow, Mar. 17.
Japanese positions at Singtze, 20 miles southwest of Kiating, on the west bank of Poyang Lake, were bombed by Chinese planes yesterday morning. Many high explosives were dumped, causing heavy casualties among the Japanese troops.

Japanese anti-aircraft guns barked at the Chinese raiders furiously but caused no damage.

From Singtze the Chinese aircraft winged their way to Hukow at the mouth of the Poyang Lake, where they dumped some more missiles on the Japanese positions.—Central News.

Buenos Aires Resident Plaintiff In Local Partnership Case

Alfonso George Piovaneli, of Florida Tacumen, Buenos Aires, Argentina, was the plaintiff in an action before the Chief Justice, Sir Atholl MacGregor, in the Summary Court this morning.

Defendant was Alberto Pasquale, restaurant manager, of Dina House, Hongkong.

Piovaneli claimed a dissolution of the partnership entered into between him and Pasquale on May 31, 1937 under the name of Frascati, accounts, payment of any sum found due to him, such further relief as the court deemed just and costs.

Mr. G. K. Hall Bruton appeared for Piovaneli.

Mr. H. S. Sheldon, K.C., was instructed by Mr. T. S. Strellett and Mr. F. X. D'Almada, who had previously represented defendant, had no further instructions in the case.

Mr. Sheldon said the business was sold from August 11, 1938. It was agreed between the parties that the Consul General for Italy should receive the purchase price and pay the debts and outstanding of the business. This was done leaving a surplus of \$3,717 which remained for division between the parties.

Mrs. M. M. Piovaneli, in the witness box, said she was the wife of the plaintiff and held his Power of Attorney. The business was sold for \$9,750. Her husband had invested \$3,500 in the business and the defendant had invested nothing.

Mr. Sheldon asked for an order for the return of the capital and half of the surplus.

The Chief Justice granted all applications.

Arabs Reject Proposals

LONDON, Mar. 16.
THE ARAB DELEGATES to the Palestine conference are understood also to have decided that the principles contained in the British proposals are unacceptable.

It is anticipated that to-morrow's meeting will be the last of the series. "Reuter" understands that details of the proposals of the British Government make it clear that the ultimate objective is an independent Palestine State, possibly Federal in character in a treaty relation with Britain.

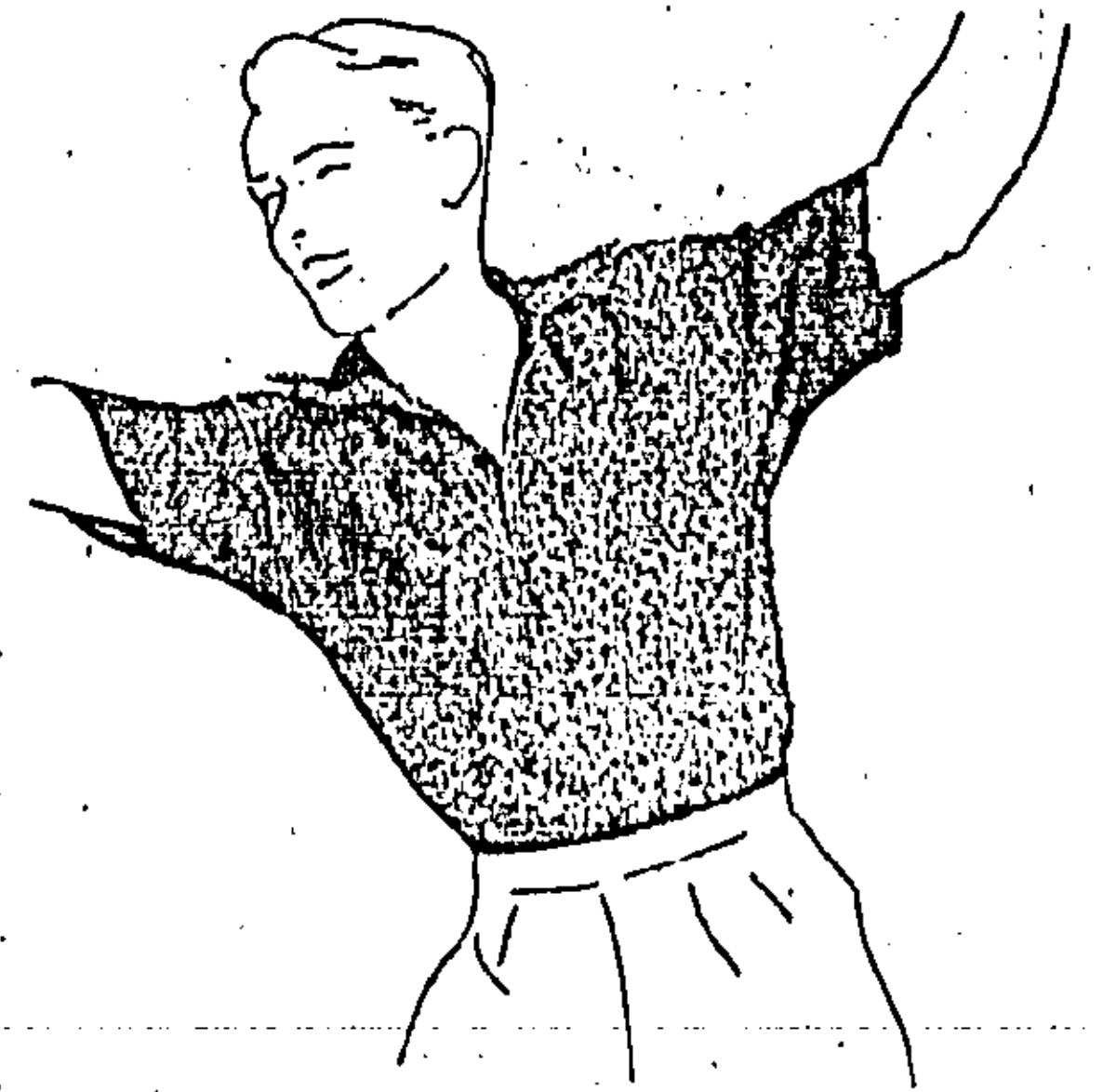
It is stated that one or two of the Jewish delegates to the conference may return to Palestine during the week-end, but the delegation as a whole will remain until the final word is spoken.—Reuter.

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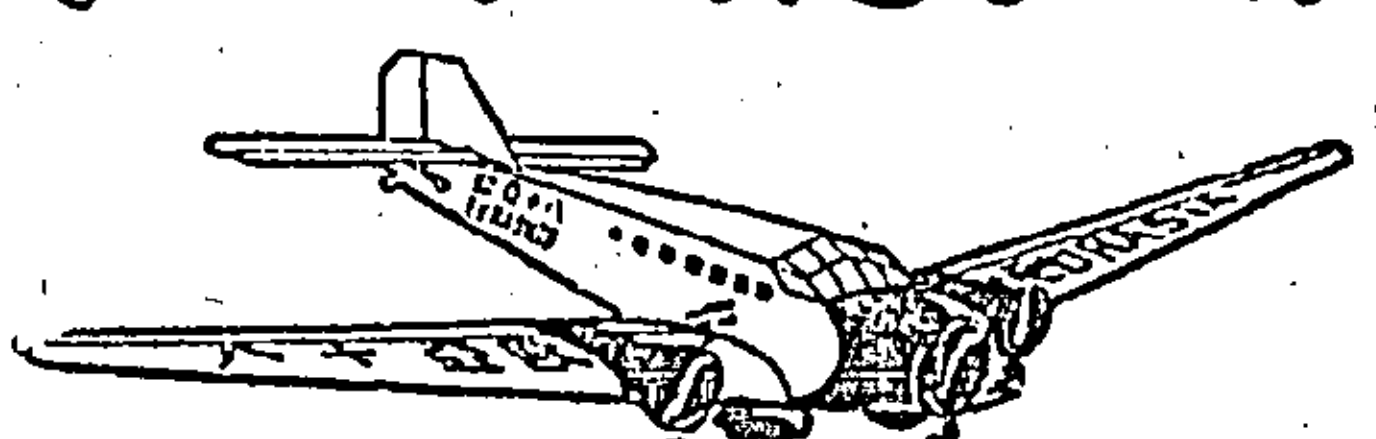
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NINE EVENTS ARRANGED FOR EXTRA MEETING

In Reality Continuation Of
The Annual Carnival

(By "Captain Foster")

The three important classic events of local racing have come and gone. We have all seen the easy win of Rose Elect in the Hongkong Derby, the brilliant achievements of Markman as the best China sub-griffin of this season's batch, and the sparkling performance of Triumphant Day in the Rooter-Hill Derby.

It is a long stretch to the Spring of 1940, but it will no doubt be a source of satisfaction to racing enthusiasts to know that there is here at present a bunch of Russian dealers soliciting for orders or trying to sell Chinese ponies for next year's racing, but I have not heard of any transaction, but I have reason to believe that a few deals will be closed before the week is over. It therefore augurs well for 1940's prosperity.

Meanwhile, however, let us concentrate on the extra meetings of the Hongkong Jockey Club. Tomorrow's Gymkhana is the prelude to a series of six Extra Race Meetings before the end of the month. The first Extra Meeting to-morrow (saddling at 1.30 p.m.) is in reality a continuation of the Annual Carnival, for there are a few open races confined to Australian and Chinese ponies that started at the big meeting and did not win.

PONIES TO BE CLASSIFIED

After to-morrow's racing, Australian and Chinese ponies will be classified on Monday, March 20, provided application in writing is made by the owner or his authorised agent stating the names of the ponies for which classification is desired. Attention of owners is drawn to the fact that subsequent applications for classification or demotion must reach the Secretary not later than 48 hours before the time fixed for closing the entries for any Race Meeting. China ponies will be divided into "A", "B", "C", "D", and "E" classes while the Australian ponies will be segregated into "A", "B", and "C" only.

The major portion of the programme of our extra meetings will be the usual handicap events for all classes among the Australian and Chinese ponies and no doubt the

Special Homeside Soccer Forecast

The following teams are specially selected to win in the Home Football programme to-morrow:

Home Winners

Arsenal
Everton
Blackburn
Manchester C.
Bristol C.
Notts County
Doncaster
Southport

Optional Selections

Aston Villa
Derby
Northampton
Watford
Hartlepool

champions will be subject to a severe test in the matter of conceding poundage. To-morrow the Tytam Handicap (two sections) confined to China ponies will be the first of the official handicapper's distribution of the lead and the gentleman in charge of handing out the weights has assigned 21 ponies in each section.

"Capt. Foster" Reviews Prospects Of Each Race

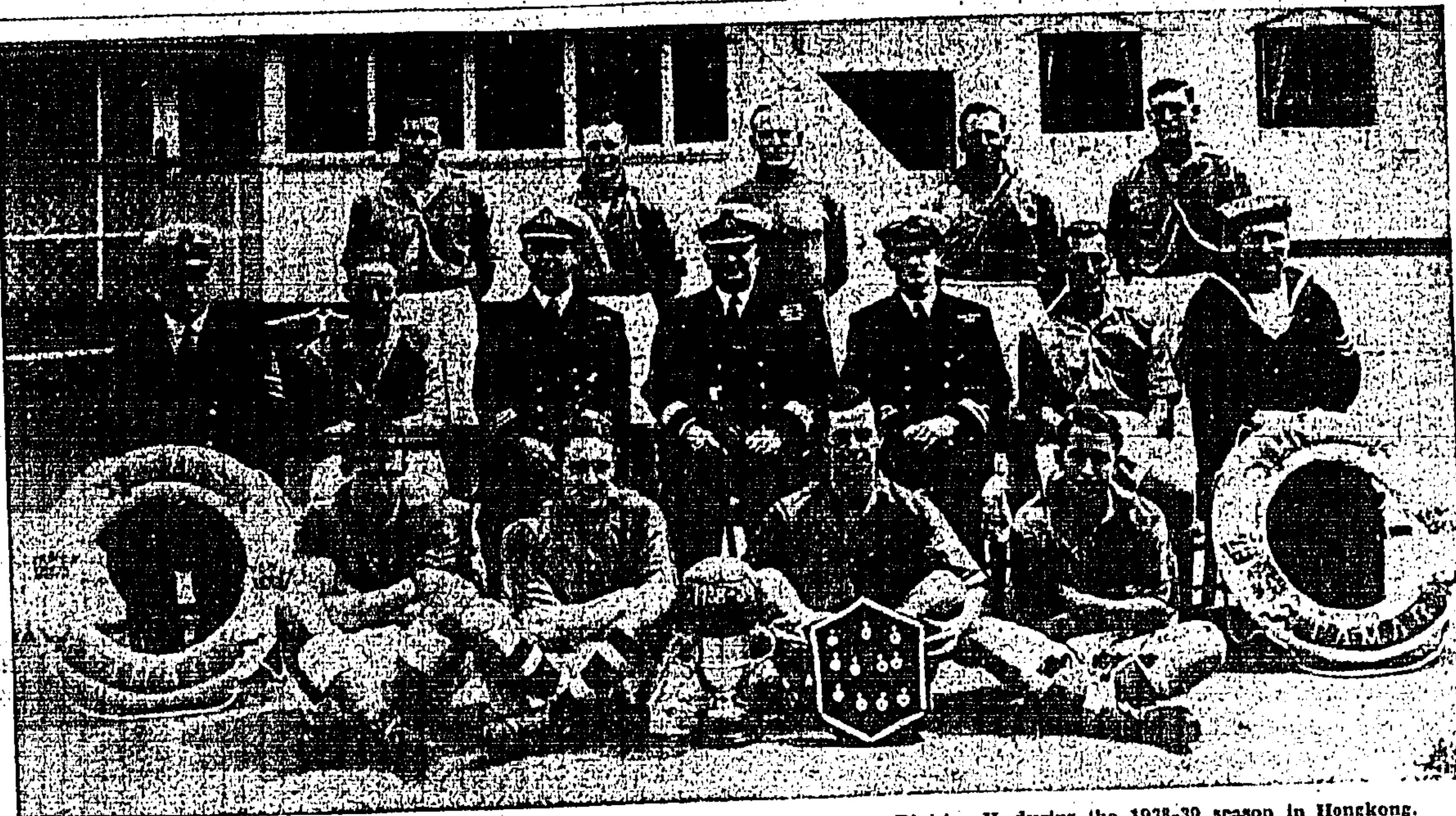
THE curtain raiser will be the Hay and Corn Stakes for China sub-griffins of any season that have started at least twice at the big season end, have not won more than one race, and are under 14 years of age (about half mile 170 yards) and the sprint has attracted no less than 30 entries. We shall certainly see a large field and a lot of course depends upon the draw of positions. It is an interesting contest between the old stagers and the spring chickens of this season. Among the old timers Racing Boy has been nominated, but I am afraid the public idol has seen his best days and it must not be forgotten that he is of the 1932 class. It is learned that Dekko, formerly owned by Mrs. Sell, is now the property of a syndicate and with that astute jockey Mr. Peter Wei in the saddle, the pony has a sporting chance of collecting the first prize of £750. He ran well at the annual meeting and so did Double Chance, another from the old brigade and he is a good starter. Among the "ever-green" bunch Guinness Time and Kut Cheung are the only two aspirants that will offer any opposition. My fancy, however, is Dekko.

VERY poor response has been received for the Lotteries' Stakes confined to non-winning Derby griffins and it is to be ridden by novices over a course of six furlongs. The contest could not draw more than a handful of entries and it is more than likely that all will accept. The starters and jockeys are as follows: Avon, Mr. G. Trevelyan; Blue Diamond, Mr. C. F. Chin; Jennifer, Mr. C. F. Chin; Peaceful View, Mr. C. F. Chin; The Tigris, Mr. H. Hoing-ping. Much was expected of Jennifer at the Spring meeting, but the chestnut filly was under a cloud after running a good second behind Hyndford Bridge in the Black Rock Stakes on the second day and the mare never appeared in public again. She is back on the course and was given a slow canter over six furlongs last Saturday. Her legs stood out well and I therefore like her for the Lotteries' Stakes. The real danger is Peaceful View, and Avon should fill the third position in the frame.

STRANGE as it may be, there are two champions in the "All Star" Stakes for China ponies over six furlongs, and the entry of Bear Claw, owned by Mrs. L. Dunbar, and King's Warden, belonging to the Chairman of the Club, is hard to

beat. It will be a tame affair for I cannot see anything to beat King's Warden, and Ox Bay, the winner of this event last Spring, should finish behind these two old warriors. MRS. Eu Tong-sen's Chiltern has always done well in training, but when it came to real racing business, he has not lived up to the reputation of a racer. He is quite a young pony and that may account for his failure at the annual meeting. I will once again nominate Chiltern for the Randwick Plate over a mile, the event being for non-winning Australian ponies of this season. Lady Northcote's Devonian to be ridden by Mr. Black should secure second place and Rising Star is my tip for the third place.

THE champion sub-griffin, Markman, and Celtic Star will not be seen in action to-morrow as the owners have wisely decided to give their chargers a few days' rest. As a result Musketeer, the winner of the classic event (presented by the Bankers and Exchange Brokers of Hongkong) was covered in 2.01.5 and it was after this exhilarating performance that a veterinary surgeon was summoned to see Musketeer. However, the "lay off" was not of serious nature and he is as fit as his trainer can make him. Mr. Wei had his legs over the animal last Wednesday and I certainly give my vote to Musketeer to win the Tytam Handicap. Several place runners have been kindly predicted and the low weights may spring a surprise. Chatterbox, who was one of the favourites for the Valley Stakes, is nicely weighted and Starlet, the holder of the biggest dividend, has not been given much lead. The latter is worth 35 each way for a long shot. Kut Cheung, Millavee, Phoenix, Tiny Tim and



Soccer players from H.M.S. Tamar, winners of the China Fleet Football League, Division II, during the 1938-39 season in Hongkong. Officers of the ship are seated in the middle row.—Photo by A. Hing.

LEN HARVEY REGAINS BRITISH EMPIRE TITLE: GAINS RETIRES

UNINTERESTING FIGHT AT HARRINGAY ARENA

London, Mar. 16.

At the Harringay Arena to-night in a disappointing fight which was interspersed with impatient hand-clapping and whistling, a crowd of 8,000 saw Len Harvey winning nearly every round of his fight with Larry Gains, thus regaining the British Empire heavyweight championship which he lost to Jack Petersen in 1934.

The 37-year-old Canadian negro, who was badly battered, retired at the end of the 13th round with two badly-cut eyes. Only the referee's untiring effort made the men break and prevented a fiasco.

There was too much clinching and wrestling. Always, however, the fight appeared to be a battle of wits between two veteran masters of ring tactics. This was undoubtedly responsible for the slow tempo; only occasional flashes of action were seen.

HARVEY CONFIDENT

Harvey, boxing confidently, landed almost as he pleased with stinging right swings and repeatedly jabbed his left in Gains' face. Gains was cumbersome and slow and was unable to counter Harvey's attack, but must be credited with the success of slowing down the fight, frustrating Harvey's efforts to tire him out.

The Cornishman was generally the aggressor and scored with vicious right hooks. He opened a cut under

Gains' left eye in the eighth round, and further damaged the eye with a vicious right swing in the 11th. Gains' right eye was injured in the 12th and 13th. Harvey, with relentless punching, drew blood from Gains' eye and nose, and the negro wisely retired at the end of the 13th round.

GAINS HEAVIER

Harvey turned the scales at 13 st. 2lbs. at the weighing-in this afternoon. This was his heaviest fighting weight in his whole career. Gains weighed 14 st. 5lbs. Both men looked extremely tired at the end of the fight. Harvey was smiling and confident, while Gains was decidedly serious.

Harvey was a 3/1 on favourite.—Reuter.

DON BRADMAN MISSES 1,000 RUNS

Sydney, Mar. 1. For the first time in 10 full seasons of first-class cricket in Australia, Don Bradman has failed to complete 1,000 runs for the season. Bradman had only seven innings and this fact had something to do with the phenomenon.

Rain and Victoria's new off-spin bowler, Frank Thorn, combined to deprive Don Bradman of the opportunity of reaching 1,000 runs in the match in Adelaide when it was washed out.

The fact is surprising, in view of Bradman's remarkable run of success in earlier matches, which consisted of the Melbourne Cricket Club's centenary match and the Interstate fixtures.

Up to the commencement of the match against Victoria in Adelaide, Bradman's scores this season were:

Finesse and the change in the saddle has to be considered. Double Finesse is a good miler and it looks to me that Snowy River will have to play the second fiddle. Criffel is nicely in on the handicap and the mare is well keyed for the event. Centre Court (Mr. S. W. Tang) does not appear to me that she will upset any calculations, but Strathcarrick, who has only 144 lbs. to shoulder, is certainly good for big money.

116, 143, 225, 107, 186, and 135 not out. Thus, with only this match remaining, he required 88 runs, 153.10 average.

Only once before had Bradman failed to reach 1,000 runs in first-class cricket in an Australian season. That was in 1927-8, when he first appeared for New South Wales. He played in only five of the six Sheffield Shield matches, and his aggregate was 416.

Bradman did not play in the 1934-5 season; but in all his other nine seasons he has topped 1,000 runs. His highest total was 1,690 runs—a record for an Australian first-class season—in 1928-9.

Bradman has this satisfaction—his average of 153.10 this season is his best in Australia.—Reuter.

TOURISTS IN MANILA

Manila, Mar. 16. The Singapore Chinese footballers arrived here to-day, and are scheduled to leave for Hongkong on the President Coolidge early April, after the series of matches arranged in Manila. They commence tomorrow night against the "All Manila No. 2" team.—United Press.

Bowls Meeting This Evening

The annual general meeting of the Hongkong Lawn Bowls Association will be held this evening in the Board-room of the South China Morning Post Ltd. at 5.30 p.m.

Peace To Be Theme Of Sweep Drawing

Dublin, Mar. 16.

While Europe resounds with the tramp of marching troops, and the nations are feverishly adding to their armaments, the Irish Hospitals Sweepstake setting for the Grand National draw stresses the futility of this international madness, and blazes forth a message of peace and goodwill among the peoples of the world.

This morning for the first time in the history of the Sweepstake, the customary professional pageant wended its way into the city from the Irish Hospitals' Trust's newly-erected headquarters at Ballsbridge some three miles distant, overlooking the shores of beautiful Dublin Bay.

The great steel boxes of counter-foils and encircling Police guard were accompanied by famous bands and the urgent cars were designed to carry out the peace theme of the Mansion House setting.

Mixing process began in Mansion House to-day under the supervision of Government-appointed auditors and will continue to-morrow and Saturday, the draw itself taking place on Monday and Tuesday next.

Among the thousands of visitors who streamed into the building to-day to see the great pneumatic mixing machines at work, attended by 250 girls in picturesque attire representing heralds and ambassadors of peace, was Lord Mayor of Cork who was cordially welcomed by Lord Mayor of Dublin.

As usual, the prize fund, the amount of which will not be made known until the morning of the draw, will be divided into as many units of £100,000 each as the total sum permits and these will be sub-divided so that drawers of the first horse in the race to be run on March 24 will receive £30,000, second horse £15,000 and third £10,000 each.

In addition there will be 50 residual prizes and many cash prizes of £100 each.

Drawers of horses which are not in the first three as well as non-runners will receive £500 each.—International Press Bureau.

Budge Beat Vines By 22 To 17

Montreal. Donald Budge beat Ellsworth Vines 6/2, 6/2, 6/3, in the final match of the professional lawn tennis tour and won the series by 22 matches to 17.

Fate Of Ranelagh Polo Grounds

London. The famous Ranelagh polo, sporting and social grounds, beside the Thames ceases as a separate entity

Champion Nearly Drops Set TENNIS TIES AT H.K.C.C.

(By "Abe")

The Tsui brothers, who now occupy the top positions in local tennis with as much distinction as the Rumjahn have done in the past, were both seen in action in the singles of the Colony Tennis Championship at the Hongkong Cricket Club yesterday afternoon.

While Tsui Yun-pui won with consummate ease in the first round with Wan Tze-sam, the elder Tsui, who holds the singles title, nearly dropped a set in his game with Chan Chi-keung, a former champion of Canton.

The champion won the first set easily enough, but this was due not so much to his own brilliance as to the many mistakes made by his opponent. Chan took a long time to settle down, and before he found his touch in the second set he was prone to over-hit. This, coupled with his inability to get his first service in, was mainly responsible for his loss of the first set without taking a game. However, he improved to a great extent in the second set and was better able to maintain the rallies, some of which were very good indeed. He got in some forehand drives on the forehand and followed up with crisp volleys at the net. Though he was passed on several occasions, he was not discouraged. From a deficit of 2-4 in this set, he pulled up with such determination that he actually led 5-4 and had set point once. But he missed his opportunity, and the champion, fighting back relentlessly and cutting down his mistakes to a minimum, finally won the set and the match in the twelfth game.

Nevertheless it was typical of Chan's play in the later stages that he saved four match points before succumbing.

WEARS OUT OPPONENT

Another interesting match played yesterday was that between Szeto Blek and J. W. Leonard. The tie went to three sets, before the latter, because of his better lasting power, won.

Usually a hard-hitter, Szeto embarked on a new plan of campaign for this match: he played Leonard at his own game. In the first set it seemed that Szeto's policy would pay in the end, for he won the first set with the loss of only one game. He placed his shots extremely well.

Results Of Matches Played Yesterday

The following were the results of matches played yesterday:

OPEN SINGLES

Tsui Wal-pui (holder) beat Chan Chi-keung 6-0, 7-5.
Tsui Yun-pui beat Wan Tze-sam 6-1, 6-1.
M. A. Razack beat O. Rumjahn 6-3, 6-3.
J. W. Leonard beat B. Szeto 1-6, 6-2, 6-3.
Chan Kam-moon beat Tsui Ping-fan 6-3, 6-4.

and made Leonard run around the court with drives to the side-lines, interspersed with drop shots which sent his opponent scurrying up to the net.

But thereafter he was not nearly so good. He lost his accuracy of placements and on a few occasions had recourse to hard-hitting, which was countered with phlegmatic steadiness.

Better players than Szeto have had a taste of Leonard's tenacity in the championships in the past. He was not the first to be worn down by deceptively slow returns which could not be put away without risk of losing the point.

Gradually Leonard gained the ascendancy and won the first set after eight games. The third set was but a repetition of the second; both players were striving to eliminate mistakes and there were many long rallies with little brilliant play.

TO-DAY'S PROGRAMME

The following are the matches down for decision to-day:

Open Singles
S. A. Rumjahn v. N. L. Evans

Open Doubles

Major F. C. Nottingham and Capt. R. D. Lecky v. Lt. D. C. Mura and Lt. S. M. Aftal.

from May 1, and will be taken over by Hurlingham Club as polo's headquarters.—Reuter.



Nowadays cod liver oil becomes a condiment of cookery rather than an item in the medicine chest

DOCTORS frequently prescribe cod liver oil in winter for a quick feed-up after illness. This is largely because it is so rich in Vitamin D—the "sunshine Vitamin."

For practical purposes this Vitamin is present largely in liver, egg yolk, oily fish, rice and fish oils. Here we can regard herrings and tinned salmon as useful items on the menu.

For many reasons, cod and halibut liver oils present the simplest and most convenient solution, particularly with children, but planning is one thing and application another, and the old time "spooning" is nauseating to many.

Cook Turns Doctor

Nowadays cod liver oil becomes an item of diet and a condiment of cookery, rather than provender of the medicine chest. For different dishes there are high potency oils that, prepared by brisk processing, have little or no odour. These are applied by drop instead of spoonful, so

they play their part without noticeably proclaiming themselves.

The safest way to camouflage cod liver oil is to use it in fish-based dishes. Here are a few recipes that recently got by an unsuspecting family:

Vinaigrette

Hors d'œuvres and certain vegetables for adults can be dressed with the following:

One tablespoon of vinegar or strained lemon juice, 1½ tablespoon of olive oil, ½ tablespoon of cod liver oil, salt, mustard, pepper and caster sugar to taste.

Blend the salt, pepper and mustard with the sugar in a basin. Stir in the oils, then beat in the vinegar or lemon juice, and use immediately. Herring and potato salad, green tomatoes, cooked sprouts or sliced tomatoes take up this dressing well, to accompany fishy items on the hors d'œuvres dish.

For Fish Cutlets

Fortunately, Vitamin D is not destroyed by heat, so there are

If They Can't Take It

BY ANN MARVEL

various ways open in cookery. For instance, a Panda base for fish cutlets.

Take 1oz. of butter or vitaminised margarine, 1oz. of flour, 1 gill of milk or fish stock, and make a roux with fat and flour, honeycombing for a time in the usual way. Add liquid and cook the sauce, then add the flaked fish or chopped flesh of shell fish (such as lobster or crab), ten drops of high potency oil and a measure of anchovy or chosen flavouring.

Form up on a plate to set and make into cutlets and coat for frying in the ordinary way. If liked, serve an oil-dressed sauce as accompaniment.

Mock Mayonnaise

A mock mayonnaise for coating fish salads, made from a base of ½ pint of white coating sauce, with one dessertspoon of

dry mustard, added to the flour is soon converted after boiling by the following items—one dessertspoon cod liver oil, one tablespoon vinegar and a small measure of sugar. A tablespoon of evaporated milk or cream is an improvement.

Use this for blending and coating well seasoned be-gher-kin and becapered fish mixtures. Garnish if you like with green salad previously dressed in the special vinaigrette.

An egg salad with sardine or anchovy accompaniment is equally successful, or a Russian salad including anchovies offers excellent value.

Fish Sauce

The following is an excellent recipe for fish sauce.

"Put into a small pan 1 table-spoon of cod liver oil, ½ oz. of flour, salt, pepper and a little anchovy essence. Heat slightly. Add to this ½ pint of milk (off the boil), stir till boiling."

Planned to accompany boiled, steamed, or baked fish, it is reckoned that one tablespoonful offers from forty to two hundred units of Vitamin D, according to the potency of the oil used. Restaurant servings are reckoned at one tablespoonful, though probably home helpings would approximate to more.

Once on the way, it is an easy transition from salads and sauces to other forms of fish cookery. Mayonnaise, built up from three parts of salad oil to one of cod liver oil seasoned and flavour-masked with Worcester sauce is a rich but effective medium, while fish oil added to baked or coating batters, soups, pasty fillings or savouries can be equally successful.

How Do You Wash?

DO you know that very few women use their toilet soap correctly? Lather plenty of soap on your palms. There would be a great many clearer about it women took as much portion of the skin, rubbing well care and pride in "laundering" their faces and necks as they do with their clothes.

The washing of the face and neck should be as serious and careful an affair as that of the finest linen. The casual way in which some women dab a little water and soap on the face, and the still more casual way in which they profess to wash this way off, directly makes for harsh and muddy skins.

No complexion can be kept well without both creams and soap. Pay respect to both. You know, of course, that only a bad painter will repaint some woodwork without first religiously scraping off the old coating. Take this lesson to heart and keep your skin clean under your make-up. And here is now to do that.

First of all, choose a reliable make of soap. This should not be difficult, for there are many such on the market. Soap-making is a fine art to-day, directed by men well versed in chemistry.

Making the Skin Silky

Don't scamp the washing. Allow sufficient time for the operation. It is as important as massage. The first thing to do is to grease the skin a little. This helps to make the skin silky. If, however, your skin is very greasy, you do not need this greasing. Use olive oil for the greasing. Rub a little well in all over your face and neck, then wipe it all off with tissues. Now you are ready for actual washing.

CLEANING HINTS

MARKS made on the pile of carpets by heavy furniture may be raised by holding the spot of steaming kettles over them.

Never wet lacquer trays. Polish with sour milk and olive oil, and the surface will come up like new.

To clean rush mats or cocoa matings, wash vigorously with a cloth dampened with salted water. This method not only cleans the matings, but it helps to prolong their wear.

Eileen

A Sink Table

A SIMPLE way of preparing vegetables quickly and cleanly is to have a small table with holes in it, which slips into the sink. All that is needed is a wooden slab about half an inch thick sawed or milled on to four short legs. The top should have several holes drilled into it. This allows the water to drain off.

The vegetables are prepared over the sink table, with running water cleansing them, while the hands are less likely to be stained, and the peelings can easily and quickly be gathered from the table top and disposed of.

A. W.

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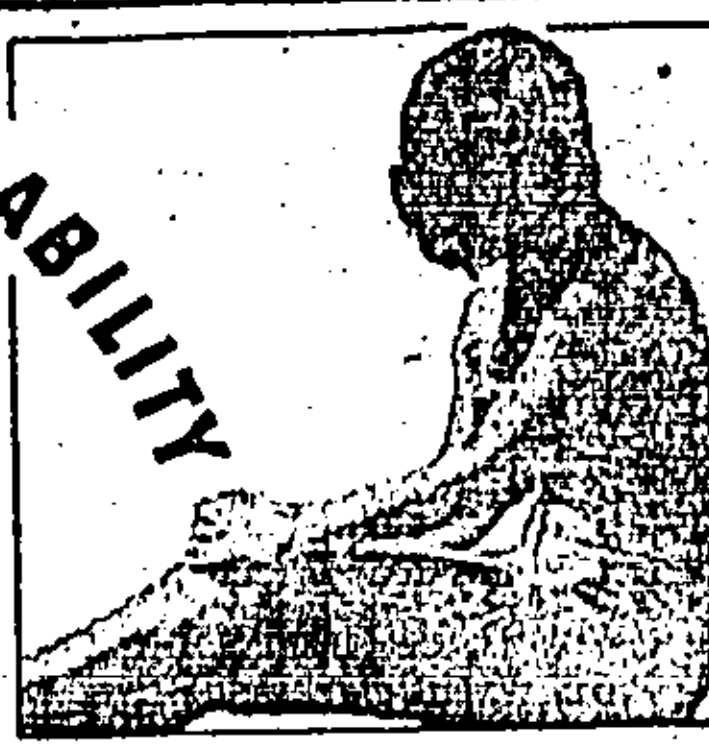
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Crossword Puzzle

By LARS MORRIS

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HOME HINTS

TO clean and slightly stiffen a silk umbrella cover, first pour a pint of boiling water over a small dessertspoonful of sugar. When well dissolved, wring out a soft cloth or piece of black silk, dip it in the solution and wipe the cover firmly until satisfied with the result.

To reduce the steam in the bathroom, run in a little cold water and then fix a length of rubber tubing to the hot water tap, so that the other end trails under the water. The steam from the hot water will then be condensed immediately it enters the cold.

When tea cloths are inclined to leave pieces of fluff on china and glass, wash them thoroughly before giving them a final shine through thin starch.

If difficulty is experienced in re-laminating wool, wind it round an aluminium hot water bottle and fill it with almost boiling water. Leave for several hours until cool when the wool again be quite straight and ready for use.

G. G. T.

POTATO PASTRY

FOR a change, try covering your pie or savoury patties with potato pastry. It is a good way of using up any mashed potatoes left from a previous meal.

Rub 2 oz. margarine into 4 oz. flour. Add half a teaspoon baking powder and a little salt. Then mix in 8 oz. mashed potatoes, and bind to a stiff paste with beaten egg or a little milk. Roll out to ¼ inch thick.

This can be used for covering a mince pie. For this you require 1 lb. cooked mince and two hard-boiled eggs. Place mince in pie-dish, cover with sliced eggs.

Place potato pastry carefully over meat. Brush with beaten egg and bake in a moderate oven till nicely browned, 20-25 minutes.

A tasty supper dish can be made by rolling out the potato pastry into an oblong. Cut into squares, place a sausage (par-boiled) in centre. Wet round edges and press the edges of pastry well together.

Open them up with the back of a knife and cut three slits on top with a pair of scissors. Brush over with beaten egg and bake in hot oven 20 minutes.

Note—Instead of baking the sausage rolls, egg and crumb them, and fry in deep fat. Hard-boiled eggs and tomatoes can also be coated with potato pastry and fried.

Isobel

ST. ANDREW'S MEMBER

Mrs. R. Baldwin Departs For England

Regretfully farewelled by adherents of St. Andrew's Church, Kowloon, Mrs. Rupert Baldwin, with her two young children, left the Colony for England by the steamer India yesterday afternoon.

Mrs. Baldwin, whose husband is organist at St. Andrew's Church and a member of the staff of Ying Wah College, Mongkok, was a Colony resident for about 12 years. She was closely associated with the work of the church in its many branches.

Many presentations were made to Mrs. Baldwin before her departure. The last was an informal one, when the Rev. J. R. Higgs, Rector of St. Andrew's, handed her the club's parting gift, at the same time conveying the best wishes of the club members and of the church's congregation.

LEAVING TO DAY

Mr. Richard Shim, Supervisor of Asia Life Insurance, and Manager of the Underwriters' Savings Bank, Hongkong branch is leaving to-day on the Empress of Japan with his wife and family on six months' tour to Honolulu and the United States.

Mr. Shim will leave three of his children in Honolulu for their education. During the past year Mr. Shim has travelled extensively through Java, Singapore, Sumatra and the Malay States.



Shown here is a version of the classic two-piece suit, combining check jacket with plain skirt. Note the length of the jacket, the fitted waistline and the four pockets placed at an extreme slant. Also, the high, collarless dress neckline. The skirt is pleated in front.



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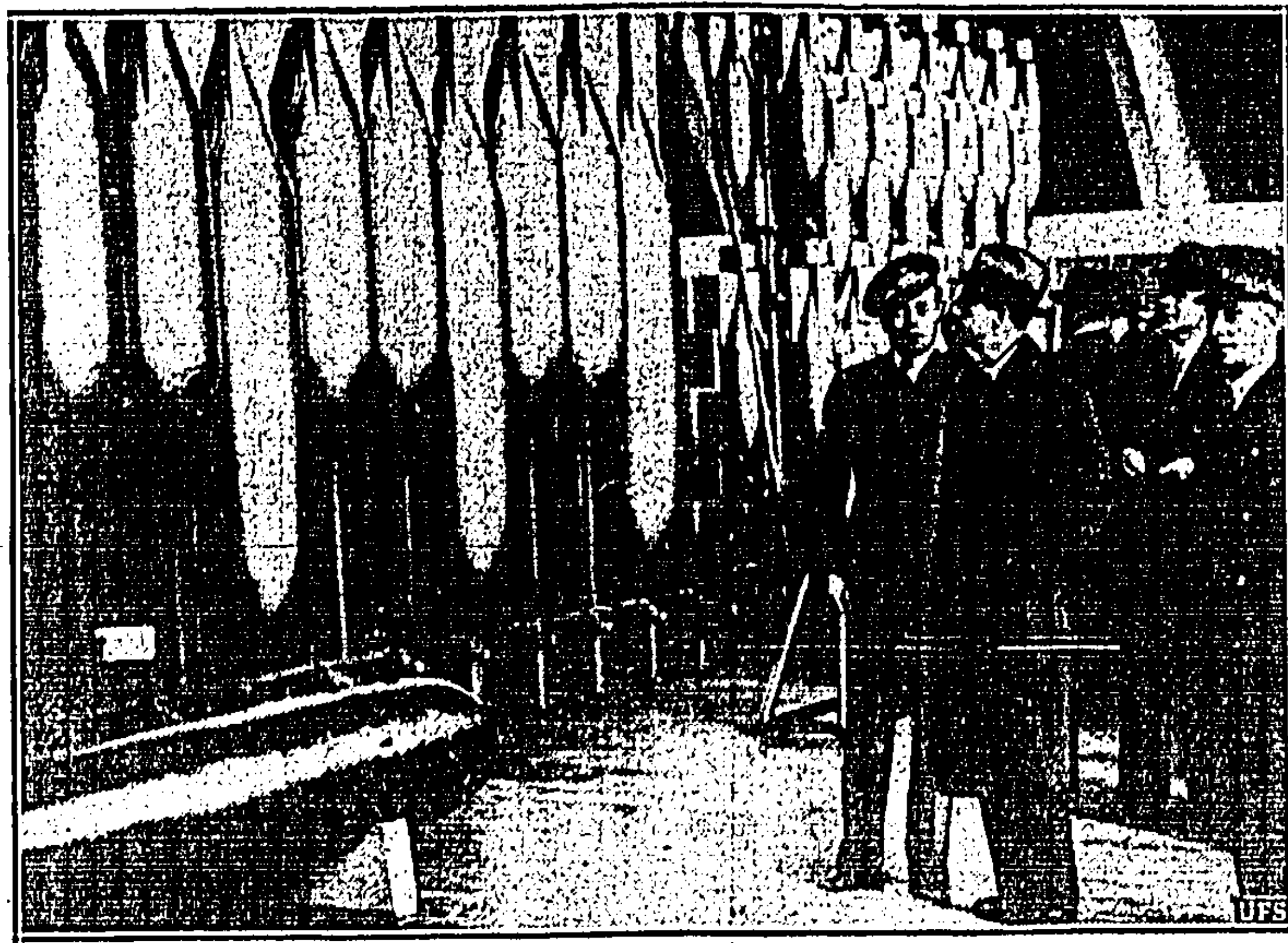
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PHOTONEWS



This German soldier was photographed taking part in winter manoeuvres of the German artillery in the Bavarian Alps, near the town of Garmisch-Partenkirchen where the Olympic Games were held.

King Boris of Bulgaria recently visited his father-in-law, King Victor Emmanuel of Italy, and while in Rome he looked in at the mineral exhibition. Among other objects he saw was this display of aerial bombs in the Pavilion of Arms. Airmen call them "eggs," to be hatched by the huge bombers that roar over an area, dropping their burden to bring death and destruction below. Boris, with soft hat, in foreground, considers them.



General Eliseo Alvarez Arenas, named by General Franco to take personal charge of Barcelona, former Loyalist capital, after the city was captured by Insurgents.



This caricature shows Bernard A. Baruch, New York financier, whom a Nazi newspaper in Berlin recently called America's "secret President." It also blamed him for the good-neighbour policy toward South America, stating: "As the representative of the Rothschild bank in both North and South America, Mr. Baruch, already in control in the United States, wishes to safeguard his South American interests by having the United States control South America."



Dr. Eduard Benes, former president of Czechoslovakia, and Mrs. Benes, as they arrived in New York. Dr. Benes will teach at the University of Chicago. Official reception was given the couple at New York's City Hall by Mayor La Guardia and distinguished citizens. University has received hundreds of requests for speeches by Dr. Benes.

OBITUARY

Death of Old Manila Resident in Colony

The death of Mrs. Genoveva Isabel de Xavier e Souza occurred yesterday at St. Paul's Hospital, after a short illness. Mrs. Souza came from Manila with her husband and children a few years ago. They were well-known there. Mr. A. M. e Souza, who pre-deceased Mrs. Souza, last year, was connected with the Dollar Line in Manila. The late Mrs. Souza is survived by a son and a married daughter, and

many nephews and nieces. Relatives and friends were present at the funeral, which took place at the Catholic Cemetery in the afternoon, the Rev. Fr. Cyril Spezzoli officiating. Buried with the casket was a wreath from "Gerlie, Tony, and Jose." Other floral tributes were from Stella and Celes, Mums and Tatty, Alvaro, Mica and children, Maria de Monte Carmelo Place, G. M. P. Victor, A. Remedios, M. Suriano, J. Jarry, N. Chan, Mr. and Mrs. J. K. Veiga, Mr. and Mrs. H. So, Mr. and Mrs. G. Leong, Mr. and Mrs. C. G. Silva, Mrs. C. O. Mattos, and Au Kwong-wai.

CLIMB SCAFFOLDING

Burglars Enter Office In City District

A daring burglary occurred in the office of the China Plant-Oil Lamp Company, in the S. C. M. Post building in the early hours of yesterday morning. Entry was obtained by breaking a glass window, the burglars climbing scaffolding outside. A quantity of radio apparatus and machine tools was stolen. The culprits used two waste-paper baskets to carry away the loot.

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STOCK MARKET REPORT

The Hongkong Stock Exchange

official summary issued at 4.00 p.m.

yesterday, says:

A large turnover was effected to-

day in Banks at \$1,400/1,420, Hotels

at \$8 1/4, Old Bonds at \$10 1/4, Lands

at \$36 1/2, Tramway at \$16.00, Electric

at \$50 1/2/56 1/2, and Watsons at

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U.S. Oil Interests In Mexico

Mexico City, Mar. 16. A very hopeful official statement was issued to-day concerning the discussions between President Cardenas and Mr. Richberg, the latter representing foreign oil interests in negotiations regarding the expropriation of foreign oil concessions in Mexico.

The statement said that much progress had been made and that the views of the oil companies and the Government were now "reaching approximation."—Reuter.

Quintin Roosevelt For Hongkong

Yokohama, Mar. 16. Mr. Quintin Roosevelt, 19-year-old grandson of the late Mr. Theodore Roosevelt, former President of the United States, arrived here this morning aboard the a.s. Empress of Asia en route to China.

A student of Harvard University, he has been sent by the Boston Museum to study ethnology in China and India for a period of four months. He will visit Hongkong during his tour.—Domei.

Refugee Camp Razed By Fire

Sensational reports were published in Chinese newspapers this morning regarding a fire in the Refuge Camp at Shum Chun, in which it was stated that a number of people had been burned to death and over a thousand had been rendered homeless.

A "Telegraph" reporter telephoned: "The old, wretched refugee camp behind the Casino at Shum Chun was burnt out by fire last night. The matchless were unoccupied and there were no casualties."

SUPPER DANCE

C. B. A. Entertain In The Rose Room

There was an atmosphere of gaiety and conviviality at the supper dance and cabaret organized by the Central British Association and held at the Rose Room of the Peninsula Hotel last night.

Making her debut in the Colony, Mary Lachlan gave several vocal numbers, while Joyce Nash again delighted with several popular melodies on her guitar, ably supported by Fred Carpio, who played the Spanish guitar. J. P. K. Christie was in fine form in his display with the Indian clubs, and later demonstrated "Under the Spreading Chestnut Tree" together with "Tony" Scott.

End To Winter Buys "Wheat" Art

ST. LOUIS. "Wheat" a harvest scene by Thomas Hart Benton, has been purchased by the City Art Museum for \$2,500. The painting had been displayed at the museum in its 33rd annual exhibition of contemporary American works.

End To Winter

BERLIN, Conn. Winter came in like a lion and will go out the same way, according to local old-time forecasters. By studying the shading of stripes on caterpillars, they predicted a comparatively mild period before the season ends with a flourish.

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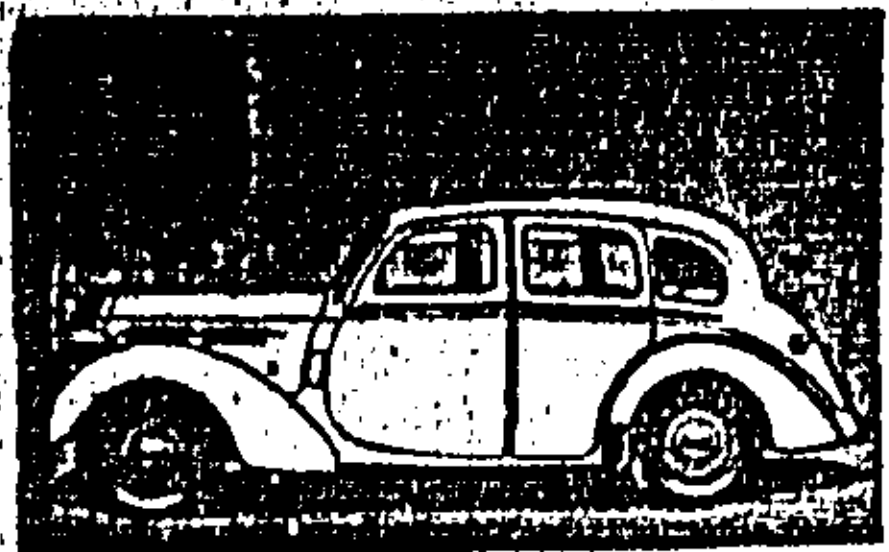
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FOLLOWING AN EXCHANGE OF TELEGRAMS BETWEEN HERR HITLER AND THE PRESIDENT OF SLOVAKIA, THE LATTER COUNTRY HAS BEEN PLACED UNDER THE PROTECTION OF THE REICH. A "REUTER" MESSAGE REPORTED THIS MORNING.

German troops are now advancing into the country.

Chust, capital of Ruthenia, was occupied by Hungarian troops at 7 p.m. yesterday (3 a.m. to-day H.K.T.)

Only sporadic resistance was encountered by the invaders, and there was no organised opposition to the occupation of the city.

The chief difficulties encountered by the Hungarians, states "Reuter", were weather and the lack of roads.

A large number of Czech troops have taken refuge in Rumania.

According to a Berlin message from the same Agency, the Ruthenian Government has sent a telegram to Great Britain, France, Italy and Germany, the four signatories to the Munich Agreement, appealing for their aid in maintaining the independence of the new Republic.

Further west, German troops have practically completed the occupation of Bohemia.

There have been no friction and no incidents. Czech troops, for the present, are confined to their barracks.

It is stated that the transfer of the military commands took place in a most correct and chivalrous manner.

News that Slovakia has now been placed under German "protection" has provided sensational news in Paris, says "Trans-Ocean".

Newspapers believe Germany will also occupy this part of Czechoslovakia.

The Commander of the Hlinka Guards in Slovakia has already ordered his men to place themselves under the command of German military authorities, and the opinion is expressed that Slovakia will be given similar status as Czechia.

RECOGNITION BY BRITAIN?

"Trans-Ocean" reports that the British Government has decided to recognise the new status of Bohemia and Moravia (Czechia).

SLOVAKIA LATEST GERMAN VASSAL

Berlin, Mar. 16. Although a formal agreement regulating the position of Slovakia in relation with the Reich is not expected until to-night, it is assumed here that such an agreement will be forthcoming the day after tomorrow.

It is emphasised that the position of Slovakia will differ greatly from that of Bohemia and Moravia. Slovakia, it is believed, will remain independent, with its own Foreign and War Ministries, but it is doubtful whether it will be permitted to conclude treaties with third powers without the approval of the Reich.

The Slovak army will also probably be placed under German commands.

An economic and customs union is regarded here as a foregone conclusion.—Trans-Ocean.

OCCUPATION COMPLETED

Prague, Mar. 17. The German High Command reports that the occupation of Bohemia and Moravia was completed yesterday evening.

Troops of Army Group III and Army Group V have, generally speaking, reached their final objectives.

MILLIONS FOR NAVY

Forty-three warships have been added to the British Navy during 1938.

Another sixty ships will join the fleet in 1939.

Far reaching methods have been adopted to avert the submarine and air menace.

Two fast 40,000-ton battleships are to be laid down in addition to those already ordered. The new ships will be equipped with 16-in. guns. These are highlights from the debate on Britain's record Navy Estimates, details of which are published on Page 3.

POGROM FEARED

A Jewish pogrom is feared throughout the new German province.

"Trans-Ocean" reports extremely strong anti-Jew feeling prevailing and Czech fascists are staging anti-Jew demonstrations.

BRITISH JEW SUICIDES

The British Honorary Consul in Bruenn, Mr. Walter Heumark, has committed suicide, according to "Trans-Ocean" report. Mr. Heumark was a Czech Jew who became a British subject by naturalisation.

NO SLOVAKIAN INDEPENDENCE

Prague, Mar. 16.

Herr Hitler departed from Prague this afternoon, when officials said that he would probably join his troops near Brno after he had proclaimed to the world that Germany had taken over Czechia and Slovakia in accordance with the Munich Agreement.

Magna Carta Going to U.S. In Fireproof Glass Case

A SPECIAL frame of bronze and fireproof glass is being prepared to contain Lincoln Cathedral's original of Magna Carta, to be shipped to New York as a leading exhibit at the World's Fair.

The Lincoln Magna Carta is one of the four originals in existence. Salisbury Cathedral has one; the other two, in the British Museum, may not be taken out of the country.

Japanese Troops Move To Soviet Frontiers

SHANGHAI, Mar. 17. A LARGE NUMBER of Japanese troops, freshly landed in Manchukuo and Korea from Japan, have been methodically moved to Soviet border regions during the past week, according to usually reliable foreign military reports received here.

One report puts the number of new troops entering Manchukuo and Korea and sent to the frontier as high as 40,000.

It is learned that the Korean port of Rashin, near Chungking, the scene of last year's serious Soviet-Manchukuo border incident, has been suddenly closed to all shipping except to Japanese military transports. Service on the South Manchurian Railway between Harbin and Munkhul, terminus of the Siberian Railway, is stated to have been completely discontinued by troop movements in this area.

It is further learned that two new divisions of Japanese troops, numbering 40,000, landed at the beginning of the week on Sakhalin Island, where the Japanese and Soviet have a mutual frontier, half of the island belonging to Japan, and half to Soviet Russia.—Reuter.

BIG SLUMP IN TRADE

Colony Feels Effect
Of Japan's Blockade

THE SERIOUS EFFECT of the Japanese occupation of South China on Hongkong trade became fully manifest this afternoon, when official trade statistics for the month of February became available.

These figures disclose that the Colony's exports to South China have dropped to ten per cent. of the trade for the corresponding period last year.

In February, 1938, the Colony exported to South China goods to the value of \$7,857,930.

Last month the total was only \$738,862.

From January 1 to February 28 the total exports were only \$3,067,693, which compares with \$18,366,904 for the corresponding period in 1938.

Imports from South China have also shown a serious decline.

The total in February was \$4,041,778, which is \$2,001,895 less than the corresponding month last year.

\$11,000,000 DECLINE

In the first two months of the year exports have declined from \$20,405,245 in 1938 to \$9,706,108 this year.

The total loss of trade with South China (imports and exports) in the first two months of this year alone is \$25,008,358, and statistics indicate that the decline is rapidly increasing.

If the Japanese occupation of South China and the blockade of Hongkong continues, the Colony's loss of trade this year will probably exceed \$200,000,000. The statistics reveal the interesting fact that, excluding South China, Hongkong's trade is maintaining a high level.

OTHER TRADE MAINTAINED

Imports from all countries during February totalled \$38,824,530, which is only \$4,574,057 below the imports during the corresponding month last year. This is roughly the amount lost through the South China blockade.

THE STORY BEHIND IT

Japanese fishermen began fishing in Russian territorial waters around Sakhalin 180 years ago.

They had no right there, but at that time there were no Russian fishermen in those parts, and no objection was taken to their activities.

At the beginning of last century, however, a Russian fishing industry was developed and the first of a long series of conventions was concluded with Japan under which the latter country was granted certain fishing rights.

1928 Pact

These conventions were renewed until the Bolshevik Government of 1917, which was not recognised by Japan, but then lapsed. Without authority the Japanese fishermen continued to fish in Russian waters, but Moscow was too much occupied to take any action or even to worry much.

When Japan recognised the Soviet Government in 1925, negotiations for a new convention were begun and the agreement was concluded in 1928. It expired in May, 1936, and was renewed for two periods of one year each.

Meanwhile the Soviet fishing industry had assumed considerable proportions and relations between the two countries had become strained.

Selling Rights

Last year Japan was unable to secure a renewal of the convention, and it was only after great diplomatic effort that permission was granted for the Japanese to fish until the end of the season.

That permission has now expired and the Soviet Government auctioned on March 15. Japan did not participate in the auction.

Exports, at \$36,502,007, are only \$1,947,527 below the corresponding period last year. It should be noted that if exports to South China had been maintained, the total to all countries would have exceeded last year's figure by over five million dollars.

Taken over a period of two months, however, the Colony's total trade shows a serious decline compared with last year.

January and February, 1939, imports and exports to all countries totalled \$180,914,125. In the corresponding period this year the total is only \$154,171,849, representing a decline of \$26,742,276.

RUTHENIA APPEALS TO RUMANIANS

BUCHAREST, Mar. 16. PREMIER VOLOSIN of Ruthenia, who fled into Rumania on Thursday, has petitioned to the Rumanian Government to incorporate the entire district of Ruthenia into the territory of Rumania, it was revealed in informed quarters.

It is understood in circles close to the Nazi Party Headquarters that Germany will agree to Hungary's annexation of Ruthenia.

The same circles point out that following incorporation of Bohemia and Moravia into German territory, Slovakia will be allowed to maintain its independence under Germany's protection.

In such eventuality, the supreme command of diplomatic and military affairs in Slovakia will be exercised by the Reich Government, while an army of Slovak troops will be organised to operate in their native land.

TRENCH WARFARE

Meanwhile, a Budapest dispatch says that severe trench warfare was raging in western Ruthenia following a violent clash between the vanguards of Hungarian troops and Czech defence forces at a point 10 kilometres west of Chust.

About 100 Hungarian troops are estimated to have been killed, while the casualties on the Czech side are also believed heavy.

By Thursday, over 1,000 Ruthenian refugees entered Rumania and the border between Ruthenia and Rumania was crowded with refugees gathering from various parts of Ruthenia.—Donet.

ON POLISH FRONTIER

Budapest, Mar. 16. Authoritative reports state that advance columns of Hungarian troops in Ruthenia reached the Polish frontier at Petrusovles at 3.30 p.m. to-day. (11.30 p.m. H.K.T.)—Trans-Ocean.

HUNGARIAN COMMUNIQUE

The Hungarian General Staff has issued the following Bulletin on the military operations in Ruthenia:

"Hungarian troops entered Thess Valley and town of Chust at 7 p.m. and are now advancing in easterly direction."

"The town of Bilke in Borsava Valley has been occupied and Hungarian troops are advancing towards Doha."

"The Polish frontier was reached by the first detachment of Hungarian troops north of Volos at 2 o'clock. A second group of motorised troops arrived at the frontier near Vaevecke fifteen minutes later."

"Detachments advancing in the Ung Valley arrived at Pereshen after being harassed by Czech units."

"Military operations have been severely hampered by unfavourable weather, particularly heavy snowstorms, but are nevertheless being carried out according to programme."

CONFLICTING REPORT

Warsaw, Mar. 16. The determined resistance of the Ruthenian defence organisation is preventing the Hungarian troops from making the progress they had hoped to achieve in occupying the country, according to reports reaching Warsaw to-day.

It is added, however, that a considerable degree of confusion prevails in reports on the situation.

A strange report, according to which a number of Czech soldiers had fled to the Polish frontier, which was lined, not only with civilians, but also Czech troops and officials, who have deserted their posts and are fleeing to safety in Poland.

Czechs submitted a request to the Polish authorities to-day for permission to send eight train-loads of refugees through Polish territory, and the first two trains arrived this morning, crossing the Uschoker Pass to Odenberg in Germany.

Numerous Czech motor cars have also arrived at the frontier, and the drivers are hoping to be able to enter Poland.

A harrowing picture is painted in one of the Polish newspapers, which says that the majority of Czech refugees have not eaten regularly for several days and provisions at the frontier railway stations have been quickly exhausted. Polish traders have also refused to accept Czech money, although as much as 20 crowns were offered for a cup of tea.

Many refugees even attempted to sell money according to the weight of the silver content.

One refugee train contained 50 children from a Czech school in Volos who had received no nourishment for the past 12 hours.

A Czech infantry regiment arrived at the frontier near Lavocz this morning and turned over their (Continued on Page 4.)



BRITAIN TO RECALL ENVOY FROM BERLIN

"UNITED PRESS" REPORTED AT 10.30 A.M. THAT IT WAS RELIABLY LEARNED THAT BRITAIN AND FRANCE WERE RECALLING THEIR AMBASSADORS FROM BERLIN.

LONDON, Mar. 16.

THE FORMATION of a State Council for advising the Government on questions of foreign policy was suggested by Mr. Anthony Eden to-day, this Council to include representatives of all British political parties.

The body would contain all members of the Privy Council sitting in the House of Commons or House of Lords, including Mr. Eden, Mr. Winston Churchill, Mr. Duff Cooper, Lord Baldwin, Mr. Lloyd George, Mr. Clement Attlee, Sir Archibald Sinclair and Viscount Samuel.—Trans-Ocean.

EARLIER MESSAGES

LONDON, Mar. 16.

MR. NEVILLE CHAMBERLAIN told questioners in the House of Commons to-day that he was considering recalling Sir Neville Henderson, the British Ambassador to Berlin, in order to report on the Central European situation.

He said that he had not received any official German communication of official confirmation of Hitler's proclamation.

He added that he had not protested against the invasion of Czechoslovakia.

Previously Britain had consulted France with regard to a common front, and had sharply told Germany that the dissolution of Czechoslovakia would be a blow to European hopes of stability and peace.

RUMOUR IN MEMEL

Anschluss With Reich Near

MEMEL, Mar. 16. MEMEL, which was German territory before the Great War, is full of rumours of an approaching *anchluss* with Germany.

It was revealed to-night that Dr. Neumann, the local "Fuehrer," made a violent speech in a session of the local Diet on March 15.

He bitterly attacked the Lithuanian Government for procrastination in fulfilling the demands of Memel Germans, and declared:

"Separation of Memel from Germany is a flagrant violation of the right of self-determination. Economically Memel territory is a heap of rubble. It is our duty, as a result of these inappreciable conditions, to bring about far-reaching changes."

It is reported on good authority that the Lithuanian garrison has been increased.—Reuter Special.

QUESTION UNDER CONSIDERATION

London, Mar. 16. In the House of Commons to-day, Mr. Neville Chamberlain said that the question whether the British Ambassador to Berlin should be asked to return in order to report was now under consideration.—Reuter.

ANGLO-FRENCH CO-OPERATION

Paris, Mar. 16. M. Daladier to-day hastily conferred with his Ministers on the question whether he should go to London to exchange political and military views, and to evolve a practical line in Anglo-French policy against further totalitarian expansion.—United Press.

BRITAIN'S REACTIONS

London, Mar. 16. It is impossible to state anything definitely at present concerning the (Continued on Page 2.)

LATEST

Negrin Invited To Mexico

Mexico City, Mar. 16. It is understood that the Government has decided to permit Senator Negrin, Premier of the Spanish Republic, to live in Mexico.

While taking refuge in Paris, the outgoing Republican Premier of Spain applied to the Mexican Government for permission for his emigration to Mexico.—Donet.

See Back Page For Further Late News

KINSHAN PASSENGERS WATCH CHINESE RAIDS ON CANTON

White Cloud Mountain Twice Attacked In Twenty-Four Hours

CHINESE PLANES raided the Japanese-occupied White Cloud Mountain Aerodrome in the north-eastern outskirts of Canton twice within 24 hours on Wednesday and Thursday, it is revealed by passengers aboard the Kinshan which returned to Hongkong yesterday afternoon from her third trip to Canton since its fall.

A squadron of more than 20 Chinese planes, including several giant bombers, were seen swooping down in the vicinity of White Cloud Mountain shortly after air raid warnings were sounded by the Japanese in the city early on Wednesday morning. Heavy bombings were heard aboard the steamboat, but it seemed that the Chinese planes were not attacked from the air, as no aerial combat was sighted.

MARTIAL LAW IN CITY

Martial law was proclaimed in the city immediately following the Chinese air raid.

Chinese planes again visited the north-eastern outskirts of Canton early yesterday morning when the Kinshan was about to leave Canton. A number of Japanese fighting planes were seen to engage the Chinese aircraft, but, according to observers, they were too fast for the Japanese.

No less than 236 Chinese and foreign passengers were aboard the Kinshan when she arrived at Hongkong yesterday.

London, Mar. 16.—Sir Basil Cochrane Newton, British Minister at Prague, has been appointed Ambassador to Baghdad.—Reuter.

PINGKIANG ATTACKED FROM AIR

Japanese Naval Planes Active

SHANGHAI, Mar. 17. DEFINITE hits were scored on many military establishments including the military headquarters and barracks in the centre of the city when Japanese naval air units launched a surprise attack on Pingkiang, important Chinese base to the east of Tungting Lake in north-eastern Hunan Province on March 15, says a Japanese Fleet communiqué.

Units ordered to attack the Chinese transport lines along the Chekiang-Kiangsi Railway, "effectively" bombed a number of moving trains and a railway bridge near Shichuanfu, Tientsin, Tengfu, and Yinggang, the communiqué adds.

The air forces operating in South China bombed and damaged Chinese fortifications to the north-east of Amoy, as well as Chinese military bases operating on the waterway near Chaoyang in eastern Kwangtung.

Co-operating in the mopping-up operations in northern Kiangsu, naval landing forces on March 14 disposed of 12 mines and captured a large quantity of munitions near Liyunkang.

Small boats carrying Chinese troops and Chinese troops concentrations were located and strafed by Naval aircraft on the upper reaches of the Yellow River on March 14, the communiqué adds.—Domei.

British attitude towards recognition of Germany's latest annexation, writes a diplomatic observer.

The precise status of the new Czechoslovak provinces is still obscure, and it must be emphasised that there is no analogy between the union with Austria, and the seizure of the Czechoslovak territories.

The Austrian Federal Chancellor Dr. Seydewitz invited Germany to come to Austria's assistance, but not even the German propaganda machine suggested that Reich troops had entered Czechoslovakia as the urgent request of the Czech President.

BREACH OF COVENANT Moreover, Mr. Chamberlain has already emphasised that Britain regards this annexation as a breach of the Munich covenant.

The British attitude also has an important bearing on the gold and foreign currencies belonging to the former Czechoslovak State now in the Bank of England.

They are at present being retained at the Bank by order of the British Government.

It is suggested that they may constitute a valuable bargaining asset when the Government negotiates with Germany for settlement of the Czechoslovak debts to British nationals, and it is hoped that a more satisfactory solution for creditors will be obtained than that secured in the case of the union with Austria.

NO SIGNIFICANCE With the departure of Sir Basil Newton, British Minister of Prague for his new post in Baghdad, it is presumed that British interests will be represented by a Charge d'Affaires until it is decided to replace the British Legation with a Consulate-General.

It is expected that the British Ambassador to Berlin, Sir Neville Henderson will come to London very shortly to report on the situation, but it may confidently be stated that there is no question of a wider diplomatic significance in the Ambassador's return.—Reuter.

EDEN TO JOIN CABINET? London, Mar. 16. Mr. Anthony Eden called on the Foreign Secretary, Viscount Halifax, this afternoon.

Before Mr. Eden's visit, Viscount Halifax had a long conversation with Premier Neville Chamberlain. Some circles connect Mr. Eden's visit with rumours of an enlargement of the British Cabinet.—Trans-Ocean.

Colony's Meanest Thieves

REFUGEE WOMAN ROBBED

Magistrate Gives Victim \$1

THE TWO meanest thieves to have appeared in a Hongkong court for many a long day were stated this morning to have robbed a refugee woman, who with her baby, had only the uncompromising pavement on which to rest, of a quilt.

One of the men, Lu Keung (41) was charged with stealing the quilt, and the other, Pong Chuen (37) with receiving it. Both were described as unemployed.

The Magistrate, Mr. T. J. Houston sentenced the first defendant to four months' hard labour and recommended him for banishment while the other man was bound over.

Afterwards, Mr. Houston gave the victimised refugee a dollar from his own pocket.

According to Sergeant M. Flaherty, the woman, who appeared in court in a poor condition, with a baby strapped on to her back, was a refugee from the country. Some nights ago she and her baby were resting on the pavement in First Street, and later the woman was seen to move away, leaving the child asleep on a cotton quilt. While she was away, first defendant sneaked up and snatched off with the quilt. He was seen by a coolie, who followed the man to a house further down the street, and who saw him give the quilt to second accused.

Acting immediately, the coolie informed the police, who effected the arrest of the two men, and to their surprise, as they imagined the theft had been carried out unseen.

The quarantine restrictions imposed by the Government of the Netherlands East Indies against arrivals from Hongkong on account of cholera have been removed.

GERMANY'S TRADE IN FEBRUARY

BERLIN, Mar. 16. THE FOREIGN trade figures of Greater Germany give total imports in February at 471,500,000 marks and total exports at 411,000,000 marks.

While the imports were almost unchanged compared with the previous month (472.2 million) the exports were down by 30.2 million marks or 6.8 per cent lower than in January.

Imports from overseas increased by 14.4 million, especially deliveries from America and Africa.

The February exports to all continents decreased, with the exception of Africa. The exports to America dropped by 8.6 million, and to Asia by 12.2 million.

The exports to Australia showed an unsatisfactory decrease, and exports to Africa were slightly higher.—Trans-Ocean.

Chinese Regain Strategic Hill

Nanchang, Mar. 17. Chinese troops smashed the Japanese lines at Tschichuan, three miles west of Tschuan on the north bank of the Poyang Lake in north Kiangsi, and regained control of the strategic hill in a furious counter-offensive yesterday morning.

The Chinese position at Tschuan has become much more steady after the Japanese landing at Hsiapao, on the shore of the lake, had been driven off.—Central News.

Fighting North Of Menghsien

Loyang, Mar. 17. Severe fighting has been raging north of Menghsien, a war-torn town on the north bank of the Yellow River in northern Honan where the Chinese have been finally resisting a vigorous Japanese southward drive.—Central News.

H.M.S. Tarantula is due to arrive from Canton to-morrow.

Eight Killed In Air Liner Crash

BOGOTA, COLUMBIA, Mar. 16.

EIGHT were killed today when a bi-motor German line Scad-in plane crashed near the town of Manzanar between Barranquilla and Bogota.—United Press.

European Woman In Civil Court

Dispute Over Work By Nathan Rd. Firm

Mrs. Paul Braga of Kadoorie Avenue, Kowloon, was the defendant in an action brought before Mr. Justice R. E. Lindsell in Summary Court this morning, James Wong & Co., of Nathan Road, suing her for \$100.73.

Plaintiff alleged that poplin, a table and sewing work, were supplied and executed for defendant at a cost of \$100.73 which she failed to pay.

Mrs. Braga stated this morning that she had returned all the goods to plaintiff with the exception of seven yards of poplin-net for which she had offered payment. Plaintiff had guaranteed that the colour of the material was fast when it was not fast in fact, and defendant returned the goods.

Without her instructions, plaintiff made up loose-covers with the returned material and delivered them to her, charging her \$6 for the work. Mrs. Braga said she returned the table to plaintiff as it was not made according to her instructions. Plaintiff had agreed to make a new table for her for which she promised to pay.

Mr. Justice Lindsell adjourned the case to next Wednesday at 10 a.m.

Stock Market Still Nervous

London, Mar. 16. Uncertainty concerning the European situation again restricted trading on the London Stock Exchange, but selling pressure was absent.

A slightly better trend was discernible late in the session, though foreign bonds continued to be weak, Czech 8 Per Cents, closing at 39 compared with 38 yesterday.

Among commodities, cotton weakened, especially in response to the statement that the United States was soon entering the world's cotton markets on a competitive basis, and reflecting the unsettled European situation.

On the foreign exchanges moderate business was done, with a fair demand for dollars, and control supporting sterling.

Some nervous Continental selling of Swiss francs was evidenced, but the French franc, after initial weakness, recovered appreciably.—Reuter Special.

Refugee Camp Razed By Fire

Sensational reports were published in Chinese newspapers this morning regarding a fire in the Refugee Camp at Shum Chun, in which it was stated that a number of people had been burned to death and over a thousand had been rendered homeless.

A "Telegraph" reporter telephoned: "The old matchbox refugee camp behind the Casino at Shum Chun was burnt out by fire last night. The matchboxes were unoccupied and there were no casualties."

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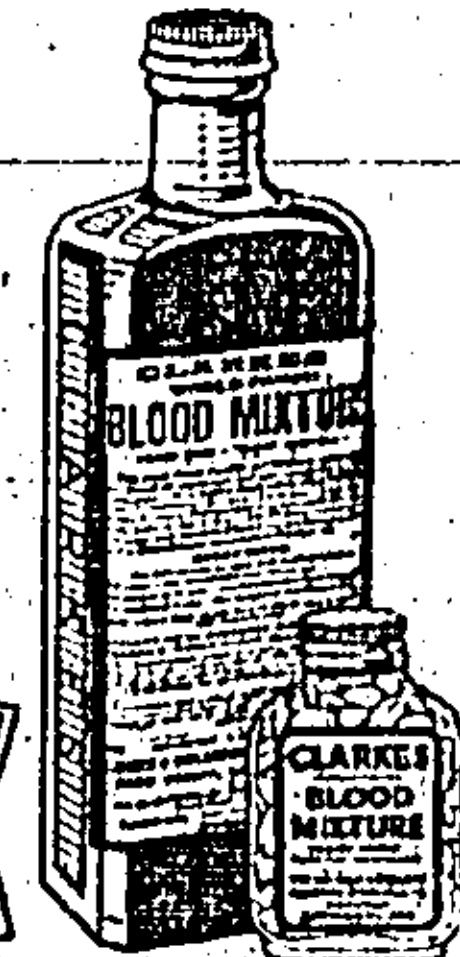
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"No played a man's part at Jutland, showing no fear."

"The ship's company were proud of the way he answered to the order of 'action stations.'"

HONGKONG DANGER

'Evacuate Or Defend' Says Opposition

London, Mar. 16.

Mr. A. V. Alexander, former First Lord of the Admiralty in the Labour Government, indicated that the Labour Party will not oppose the naval estimates which he spoke in the House of Commons to-day, following Mr. Geoffrey Shakespeare's speech.

He said that the Navy had "taken account of the possibility of attack from three quarters, probably simultaneously, by an axis of hostile Commonwealth Powers, comprising Poland, Germany, Italy and Japan."

The Navy, he said, had always been strong in China, but to-day it has been practically ordered off by Japan.

"No British warship is allowed up the Yangtze."

"The naval base of Hongkong is surrounded by the invasion of South China."

"In view of the crisis launched in Europe on two occasions in the last six months, and the possibility of another crisis at any time, we should decide whether to defend or evacuate Hongkong."

"We must also decide what must be the general basis of our Far Eastern naval strategy under these circumstances."—United Press.

Haimen Badly Damaged

Kinhwa, Mar. 17.

Haimen, an important coastal town in eastern Chekiang, suffered heavy property losses as a result of a terrific bombardment by four Japanese warships on Wednesday.

Five civilians are known to have been wounded and scores of shops and residences wrecked.

The Japanese vessels steamed close to the Chinese boom when they started their barrage, firing about 85 rounds.

Following the shelling, they seized three Chinese junks and steamed away.—Central News.

ARMS MILLIONS: Record Naval Estimates.

BRITAIN'S RECORD Navy Estimates were introduced into the House of Commons by Mr. Geoffrey Shakespeare last night.

They provide for the expenditure of £149,000,000—an all-time record.

Of this total, £69,399,000 will be raised from Revenue and £80,000,000 from Loan.

The three Services—Navy, Army and Air—will cost a record total of £506,115,000, which is slightly in excess of half of the nation's total Budget for the year.

This is how the money will be spent:

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| The Navy | £149,399,000 |
| The Army | 148,155,000 |
| The Air Force | 208,561,000 |

These amounts do not take into account other

defence expenditure, such as Air Raid Precautions, etc., estimated at another £17,000,000.

More than half the total Service costs will be raised from loan, only £217,883,000 coming from Revenue.

The Navy Estimates provide for the commissioning of sixty new warships this year, making a total of 106 since January, 1938.

The new programme includes two 40,000-ton battle-ships equipped with 16-in. guns, bringing the present strength of 15 capital ships to twenty-one by 1943.

During the current year, British dockyards will be engaged in the construction of some 200 vessels, totalling 870,000 tons. They will include nine battleships, six aircraft carriers, 25 cruisers, 43 destroyers and 19 submarines.

Far-reaching methods have been adopted to avert the menace of the submarine and the aeroplane.

£1,500,000 A DAY WILL BE SPENT ON OUR DEFENCES

BRITISH NAVY LEADS

Britain's 42,100-ton battle cruiser Hood is still the largest afloat or projected, according to particulars of the principal fleets of the world contained in the Navy Blue Book.

In the past the Soviet Navy has been included, but as the Government of the U.S.S.R. no longer furnishes information all reference is now omitted.

CAPITAL SHIPS

British Commonwealth (under age)—12 battleships, 3 battle cruisers, 3 monitors, 6 aircraft-carriers, 1 seaplane-carrier. Over age: 1 aircraft-carrier, 1 seaplane-carrier. Building: 7 battleships, 6 aircraft-carriers.

United States (under age)—14 battleships, 5 aircraft-carriers. Over age: 1 battleship. Building: 6 battleships.

Japan (under age)—9 battleships, 5 aircraft-carriers, 3 seaplane-carriers. Over age: 1 coast defence ship. Building:

Battleships not known, 1 aircraft-carrier, 2 seaplane-carriers.

France (under age)—5 battleships, 1 battle cruiser, 1 aircraft-carrier, 1 seaplane-carrier. Building: 2 battleships, 1 battle cruiser.

Italy (under age)—4 battleships. Over age: 1 armoured ship. Building: 4 battleships.

Germany (under age)—2 battle cruisers, 3 monitors. Over age: 2 battleships. Building: 2 battleships, 2 aircraft-carriers.

ORDERS PLACED

Orders have been placed for two of the seven British Commonwealth battleships under the building programme, and one of the six aircraft carriers is not yet ordered.

In submarines, the British Commonwealth has 44, the United States 20, Japan 39, France 76, Italy 97, and Germany 43.

the years between 1912 and 1914, while the ton for ton productive effort involved—taking into account the increasing complexity of design, fuller protection, and heavier armament—would be three times greater for battleships, and as much as six and half times greater for destroyers.

As an example of this, Mr. Shakespeare mentioned that the cost of the central gear in the King George V launched in 1912 was £11,000, while that in the battleship of the same

name launched recently by the King was £213,000.

OUTPUT UP TWENTYFOLD

"In three years output of heavy guns has increased twentyfold. As far as the production of guns, torpedoes, depth charges and shells is concerned, I can assure you that the organized supply is estimated to be sufficient for the first year of war."

"If we lost command of the seas we would face starvation."

"We believe that the British fleet is so strong to-day that it can confidently accept a direct challenge by any probable combination of forces."

SUBMARINE MENACE

As to submarines the Parliamentary Secretary argued that the danger had been exaggerated through the neglect to observe that of some 10,500 vessels sunk by enemy submarines in the last war only 102 were sunk while in convoy. As soon as the convoy system was adopted in 1917, the submarine menace demonstrably diminished.

"Any future submarine menace will not be as effective as in the last war."

"As a result of two years' close co-operation between the Admiralty and the shipping industry Britain would be ready to institute a convoy organisation soon after the outbreak of war on any necessary routes."

"We have in stock sufficient anti-submarine guns to meet all expected requirements."

"Over 2,000 can be made available immediately and further large numbers can be added within a reasonable time."

"By the end of this year it is anticipated that about a thousand merchant ships will have their decks stiffened to carry guns."

Over 9,000 officers of the Merchant Navy have already attended the courses in convoy protection.

MERCHANT SHIPS FOR NAVY

"On the outbreak of war a large number of ships of the Merchant Marine will be directly taken over for naval anti-submarine work."

"Appropriate arrangements have already been made and the equipment is largely in stock."

"I believe our methods of detecting and hunting submarines are the best in the world."

The speaker described to members a hunt for submerged submarines whose position was unknown in which he had himself taken part, and as result of which experience, he felt able to accept the claim of experts, that in favourable circumstances, in nine cases out of ten, the exact position of a submarine could be detected without any doubt.

PIRACY IN MEDITERRANEAN

"I would like to recall in this connection that in January last year, we announced in order to end piracy in the Mediterranean, that we would sink any submarine found submerged in certain areas."

"After that warning, no case of piracy occurred, and I leave it to Members of this House to draw their own deductions."

"The third menace confronting the Navy is air attack."

"But modern ships can pour such a volume of defensive fire, both at long

and short range, that would drive aircraft to a height from which the accuracy of their weapons would be seriously impaired."

"Our policy is to concentrate in British ships the most modern anti-aircraft guns possible, both in long-range and short-range types."

"In addition to this, the defensive armament of modern warships gives protection against shell-fire and bombs alike."

"As regards torpedoes and mines, improved systems of underwater protection have been worked out to prevent a vital blow being inflicted below the surface."

FLEET AIR ARM

"Turning now to the Fleet Air Arm, and its development since its transfer from the Air Ministry. In the near future the Navy will have to take over all first line aircraft with immediate reserves and aircraft required for specialised naval training."

"The personnel of the Fleet Air Arm, including those under training, will have to be increased from about 3,000 in 1937 to about 6,000 to-day."

"Contracts have been let for the construction of aircraft for the six new aircraft carriers now under construction, and which will come into commission beginning next year."

"Developments in aircraft have resulted in the Navy obtaining a substantial increase in the scope of reconnaissance, speed of manoeuvres and power of striking."

SHORTAGE OF CRAFTSMEN

"It is only one branch does the Navy show a definite shortage, namely, of skilled craftsmen."

"Steps are being taken to ensure the supply of an adequate number of executive officers to command the expanding fleet."

Turning to the question of warship construction, Mr. Shakespeare said that one of the Royal Sovereign-class of battleships would be replaced by a ship of the 1937 programme.

NAVAL RESERVE

Replying to questions, the First Lord said that Britain's naval reserves totalled at least 70,000 men, besides 60,000 to 70,000 who served in the Navy and were now 55 years of age.

As regards the Immediate Reserves, the Admiralty was fixing an establishment of about 4,000. Although the Reserves had just been opened, there were already over 3,000 applicants.

Mr. Shakespeare described the new forming of training for the R.N.V.R., and disclosed that three new divisions were starting in Hull, Southampton and Cardiff. Steps were also being taken to organise a system of anti-aircraft training and it was hoped to organise gunnery units, within the R.N.V.R., which would be sent to Reserve Fleet ships or mobilisation.

"It is hoped experimentally to establish ten naval brigades for volunteer training," he declared. "In these units the only obligation will be a moral one to join the Navy in times of war."

LABOUR APPROVAL

Mr. A. V. Alexander for the opposition expressed qualified satisfaction. (Continued on Page 9.)

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5,000 Arrests In Prague

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ance with the law of "self-preservation."

The dissolution of the Republic was completed with a series of rapid-fire developments which shook Eastern and Central Europe.

Dr. Tiso, the Slovak Premier, appealed to Herr Hitler to take Slovakia under Nazi protection, and Hitler replied that he was assuming protection of Slovakia immediately.

In the meantime—the Hungarians have battled their way through Ruthenia, while Ruthenia offered a dramatic surprise by appealing to Rumania to incorporate Ruthenia with Rumania into one entire territory. However, it is unofficially stated that Rumania declined.

It is reported that between 3,000 and 4,000 political prisoners have been seized in Czechia and taken to Reich concentration camps.

Dr. Tiso's action showed obviously that there was never any intention of permitting Slovakia to be a free State. Actually the administrators of the new territories will be subject to the Fuehrer's orders—United Press.

HITLER AT BRNO

Berlin, Mar. 16. Herr Hitler was expected at Brno, the Moravian capital to-day. It is believed that he will attend a military parade there, after which he will return to Vienna.—Reuter.

M. DATA FLEES TO RUMANIA

Bucharest, Mar. 16. The famous Czech shoe-manufacturer, M. Data, has arrived in Rumania.—Trans-Ocean.

CZECH ENVOY SNUBS THE GERMANS

Washington, Mar. 16. The Czech Minister to Washington, Dr. Vladimir Hurdan, to-day refused to turn the Czech Legation over to the German Embassy, when ordered to do so by the German Charge d'Affaires.

Mr. Hurdan declared that he had not received instructions from Prague, and would wait when he had received such an order.—Trans-Ocean.

5,000 ARRESTED

"United Press" estimated 5,000 have been arrested in Prague by Germans. Estimated 200,000 German troops now in occupation of country.

Czech gold reserve, estimated at \$20,000,000, has been confiscated.

HITLER TELLS MUSSOLINI

Berlin, Mar. 17. It is rumoured that Herr Hitler, before leaving Prague last night, had a 10 minutes' telephone conversation with Signor Mussolini.

Although Hitler left for Brno, nobody appears to know where he spent the night.

He is expected to arrive at Brno, if he is not already there, in time for a military review there to-day.

According to an unconfirmed rumour, between 6,000 and 7,000 people have so far been arrested in Prague.—Reuter.

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Members of the Society and their friends are asked to assemble under the verandah at the North side of the Supreme Court prior to the ceremony.

ST. PATRICK'S BALL PENINSULA HOTEL—9.30 p.m.

Members of St. Patrick's Society of Hong Kong and their guests are informed that there will be a Special FIVE-MINUTES-Service of "STAR" FERRIES from HONG KONG to KOWLOON between 9.00 p.m. and 9.30 p.m. on 17th March and SPECIAL FERRIES from KOWLOON to HONG KONG at 2.00 a.m., 2.45 a.m. and 3.15 a.m. on the following morning. The last ordinary Ferry leaves at 1.15 a.m.

A BUFFET SUPPER will be served from 11.30 p.m. to 1.30 a.m. Tables may be booked with the Management of the Peninsula Hotel before 7.00 p.m. on the night of the Ball.

Admission to the Ball is by ticket only which is to be presented at the MAIN ENTRANCE to the Hotel.

Tickets may be obtained from Mr. P. J. A. Hamilton, Hon. Treasurer, P.O. Box 417 or Harbour View Hotel, Chatham Road, Kowloon.

B. H. C. HALLOWES,

Hon. Secretary, St. Patrick's Society of Hong Kong, P.O. Box 417.

THE HONGKONG & KOWLOON WHARF & GODOWN CO., LTD.

Notice to Shareholders

THE FIFTY-SECOND ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Office of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd. on THURSDAY, 23rd MARCH, 1939, at NOON, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors and the Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1938.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be CLOSED from MONDAY, the 13th March, 1939, to THURSDAY, the 23rd March, 1939, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors, C. M. MANNERS, Secretary and Manager. Hongkong, 4th March, 1939.

C. R.

PARTICULARS & CONDITIONS of the Sale by Public Auction to be held on Monday, the 20th day of March, 1939, at 3 p.m., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor of one Lot of Crown Land at Cheung Sha Wan, in the Colony of Hong Kong, for a term of 75 years, commencing from 1st July, 1898, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the KING, for one further term of 24 years less the last three days thereof.

Intending bidders are advised that immediately after the disposal of the lot the Purchaser (if not the applicant) will be required to deposit with an authorised officer who will be present at the sale, the sum of two hundred dollars, (\$200) in cash. This sum will be refunded on payment of the Purchase price.

PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

| No. of Sale | Registry No. | Locality | Boundary Measurements | Contents in sq. feet | Annual Rental | Upset Price |
|-------------|---------------------------------|---|----------------------------|----------------------|---------------|-------------|
| 1 | New Kowloon Inland Lot No. 2659 | Adjoining New Kowloon Inland Lot No. 621, Fok Wing St. Cheung Sha Wan | N. 100' E. 100' S. 100' W. | As per sale plan. | About 7,000 | \$35 |

C. R.

PARTICULARS & CONDITIONS of the Sale by Public Auction to be held on Monday, the 20th day of March, 1939, at 3 p.m., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor of one Lot of Crown Land at Shek Shan, in the Colony of Hong Kong, for a term of 75 years, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the KING, for one further term of 75 years.

Intending bidders are advised that immediately after the disposal of the lot the Purchaser (if not the applicant) will be required to deposit with an authorised officer who will be present at the sale, the sum of two hundred dollars, (\$200) in cash. This sum will be refunded on payment of the Purchase price.

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|-------------|---------------------------------|---|----------------------------|----------------------|---------------|-------------|
| 2 | New Kowloon Inland Lot No. 2660 | Adjoining New Kowloon Inland Lot No. 1462, Ngau Shi Wan | N. 100' E. 100' S. 100' W. | As per sale plan. | About 30,400 | \$210 |

STOCK MARKET REPORT

The Hongkong Stock Exchange official summary issued at 4.00 p.m. yesterday, shows:

A large turnover was effected today in Banks at \$1,400/1,420, Hotels at \$9 1/4, Old Dock at \$10 1/4, Lands at \$36 1/2, Trams at \$10.00, Electric at \$50 1/2/50 3/4, and Watsons at \$10/9.20, the market closing with a firm undertone.

Canton Insurance \$225
H.K. Fire Insurance \$105
H.K. Dock (Old) \$10 1/4
H.K. Dock (New) \$10 1/4
H.K. Realities \$4.00
H.K. Tramways \$10.00
Kaunoi Electric \$10.00
Sankankan Lights \$11.10
Telephones (Old) \$22.70
Telephones (New) \$7 1/2
Canton Ice \$1
H.K. Ropes \$4.10
Watson \$9.10
Wing On (H.K.) \$4.00
Entertainments \$7
H.K. Govt. (H.K.) par.
Union Insurance \$4.25
H.K. & S. Hotels \$4.25
China Lights (Old) \$9.00
H.K. Electric \$10 1/4
Macao Electric \$10 1/4
Sankankan 1st \$11.30
Watson \$9.20

C. R.

1939—1940.

Sealed Tenders will be received at the Royal Naval Hospital, until 10 a.m. on the 21st March, 1939, from persons desirous of supplying Beef, Mutton, Fowls, Pork, Cheese, Pure Cow's Milk, Ice, and other provisions and necessaries, for the year ending 31st March, 1940.

Printed Forms of Tender and further particulars can be obtained at the Royal Naval Hospital.

The right to reject the lowest or any tender is reserved.

G. V. HOBBS,

Surgeon Captain, Medical Officer in Charge, Royal Naval Hospital, Hong Kong. 15th March, 1939.

C. R.

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|-------------|---------------------------------|--|----------------------------|----------------------|---------------|-------------|
| 4 | New Kowloon Inland Lot No. 2661 | Tenants St. between Castle Peak Rd. & On Cheung St. Cheung Sha Wan | N. 100' E. 100' S. 100' W. | As per sale plan. | About 20,000 | \$275 |

PROFESSOR GERRARD

The University Medical Society on Tuesday gave a tea party to Prof. W. I. Gerrard, Professor of Medicine at the University and Government Consultant, in the Union Assembly Room as a farewell before his departure on leave to-day.

Dr. Long Kam-leng, who presided, in paying a tribute to Prof. Gerrard, said he had been elected an honorary Vice President of the Society.

APPEAL TO RUMANIA

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weapons to the Polish frontier guards.—Trans-Ocean.

VIOLENT CLASHES

Violent clashes between Hungarian troops and Ruthenians were reported by "Trans-Ocean" from Nizny Verckey, near Polish frontier. Hungarians claim Ruthenian losses large.

OCCUPATION COMPLETED

Budapest, Mar. 16. M. Teleki announced in Parliament to-day that the Hungarians were in complete occupation of Ruthenia. He said that Ruthenia would be given extensive administrative autonomy, under which only the army and finance would be centralised with Hungary.

A Bratislava report says that a Ukrainian spokesman told "United Press" that according to reliable information, the Hungarians occupied Chust at 11 a.m. (7 a.m. H.K.T.). He added that hundreds had been killed and wounded in the fighting.—United Press.

VOLOSINE SEEKS REFUGE

Sighet, Rumania, Mar. 16. M. Volosine, the Ruthenian Premier, who has taken refuge here, was accompanied by M. Stefani, Minister of Culture.

Strings of Czech military lorries, estimated to contain 50 officers and 2,000 men with their wives and families, and many household goods, crossed the frontier.

In addition, 2,000 Czech Jews and Ruthenians sought refuge here. Before the Hungarian troops entered Chust, all Czech and Ruthenian officials fled.

The occupation of Ruthenia is not yet complete, and it is not yet stated to be in the hands of complete control. Members of the young Ukrainian militia, principally composed of youths, demanded the army's weapons and equipment. In the end the officers gave over practically everything, and left for Sighet.

The fact that the Ukrainians were in the streets with rifles, vainly trying to hold the province. The officer added that the Ukrainians would welcome Germans, but they were determined to fight the Hungarians, but they had not the slightest chance.—Reuter.

HACHA SEES HITLER

Prague, Mar. 16. Herr Hitler to-day received President Hacha at Hradshchin Castle. The Czech President was received with military honours.

The fact that the German News Agency calls M. Hacha President may indicate that he is head of the new protectorate under the style of "Protector".—Reuter.

FRONTIER CLOSED

Bucharest, Mar. 16. It is learned that the Government has decided to close the Rumanian-Ruthenian frontier to refugees. Czech and Ruthenian refugees are still coming across the frontier, and over 5,000 are now in Dighet and the neighbourhood.

Nearly all the Czech refugees will be returned to Bohemia by the Rumanian authorities, via Yugoslavia.—Reuter.

REICH POLISH FRONTIER

Warsaw, Mar. 16. The first Hungarian patrols are reported to have reached the Polish-Ruthenian frontier at noon to-day.

Reports state that heavy snow and difficult conditions generally delayed the advance of the Hungarian troops.—Trans-Ocean.

HITLER LEAVES PRAGUE

Prague, Mar. 16. Herr Hitler left Prague this afternoon for an unrevealed destination. Before his departure, the Fuehrer reviewed German students of the Prague University, who assembled in the courtyard of the Hradshchin Palace to greet him.—Trans-Ocean.

GERMANY TAKES OVER LEGATIONS

London, Mar. 16. The Czech-Slovak Legation in London was to-day taken possession of by the German Embassy following the proclamation of the German protectorate over Bohemia and Moravia.—Trans-Ocean.

CZECH FLAG PULLED DOWN

Tokyo, Mar. 17. The Czech-Slovak flag was absent from the Czech-Slovak Legation in Tokyo yesterday, while the tablet designating the name of the Legation was also removed from its gate.

Mr. Frantisek Havlicek, Czech-Slovak Minister to Japan, returned from the spa of Atami where he was recuperating from an illness. Interviewed by newspapermen, he declined to comment on the European situation.

Saying that no official reports were received yet, Mr. Havlicek said that he would remain in Japan until the arrival of definite instructions from his home Government.—Domest.

CLIMB SCAFFOLDING

Burglars Enter Office In City District

A daring burglary occurred in the office of the China Plant-Oil Lamp Company, in the S. C. M. Post building in the early hours of yesterday morning.

Entry was obtained by breking a glass window, the burglars climbing the scaffolding outside.

A quantity of radio apparatus and machine tools was stolen. The culprits used two waste-paper baskets to carry away the loot.

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FRANCIS I. du PONT & COMPANY REPORT BY CABLE:

STOCKS: We agree that war is unlikely. We expect a business pick-up next month.

The week's carloadings were 39,000 cars above the corresponding period of last year.

We favour purchases of oil shares, National Dairy, Kennecott, North American Company, International Harvester and J. C. Penney stocks.

The Westinghouse Electric Company's February earnings were 32 per cent. over January.

Chemical sales in March are estimated at 15 per cent. over those of the corresponding month of last year.

A sharp reduction is expected in the first-quarter profits of the Continental Oil Corporation.

WHEAT: Prices in Winnipeg reached a new low level for May wheat owing to the freight rate cut in the Argentine.

SUGAR: The market was strong on the 77,000 tons quota reduction. The Bureau of Agriculture predicts over-seasonal Spring and Summer activity.

—RADIO—

ZBW, 355 metres (845 k.c.) and 31.49 metres (9,520 k.c.)

"St. Patrick's Day" Talk And Irish Programme

LONDON RELAYS

Radio Programme Broadcast by Z.B.W. on a Frequency of 845 k.c. and on Short Wave from 1-2.15 p.m. and 8-11 p.m. on 9.52 m.c/s per second.

6.00 Relay of the Dance Orchestra from the Roof Garden of the Hongkong Hotel.

(a) You and Me; (b) The Big Dipper; (c) Screened to the Stars; (d) Vivaldi.

6.14 Record: Robins and Roses (Leslie Burke); Would You? (Film "San Francisco"); Bing Crosby (Vocal); Victor Young and His Orchestra.

6.21 (a) After you've gone; (b) A-tisket A-tasket; (c) Until the real thing comes along; (d) Boston Tea Party.

6.35 Records: Day-In-Day-Out-Quickstep; Mine Alone—Slow Fox-Trot; Gerry Dore (Piano) with String Bass and Drums; I Have Lost My Heart In Budapest (Methu, Belner); Raymond Build (Saxophone).

6.45 London Relay—"Intermission". A programme of novelty numbers and solo pieces. The B.B.C. Variety Orchestra, Leader: Frank Cantell, Conductor: Charles Shadwell; with Gene Crowley (Baritone).

7.15 Closing Local Stock Quotations.

7.17 Grief Songs and the Peer Gynt Suite No. 2.

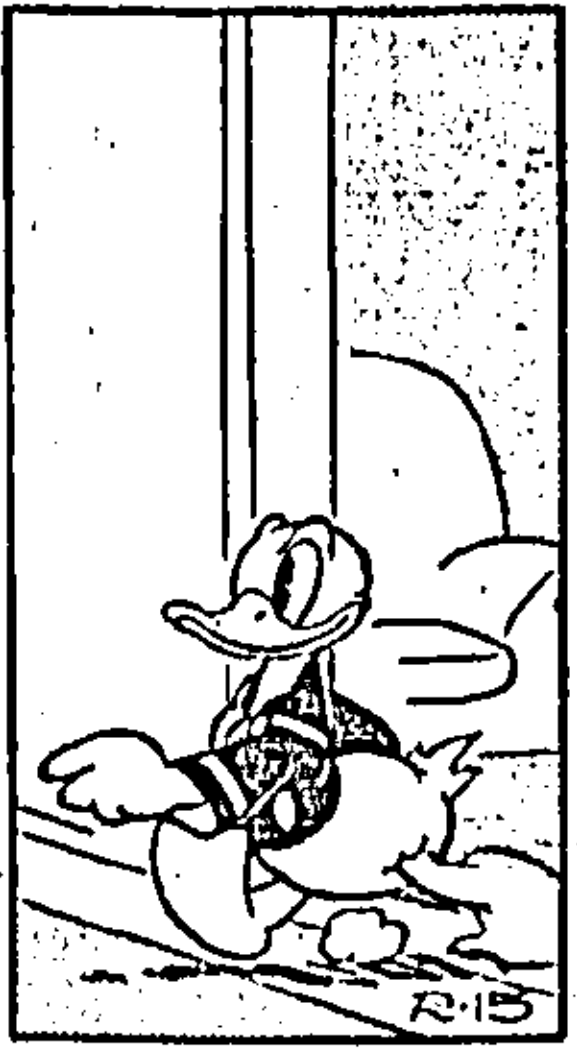
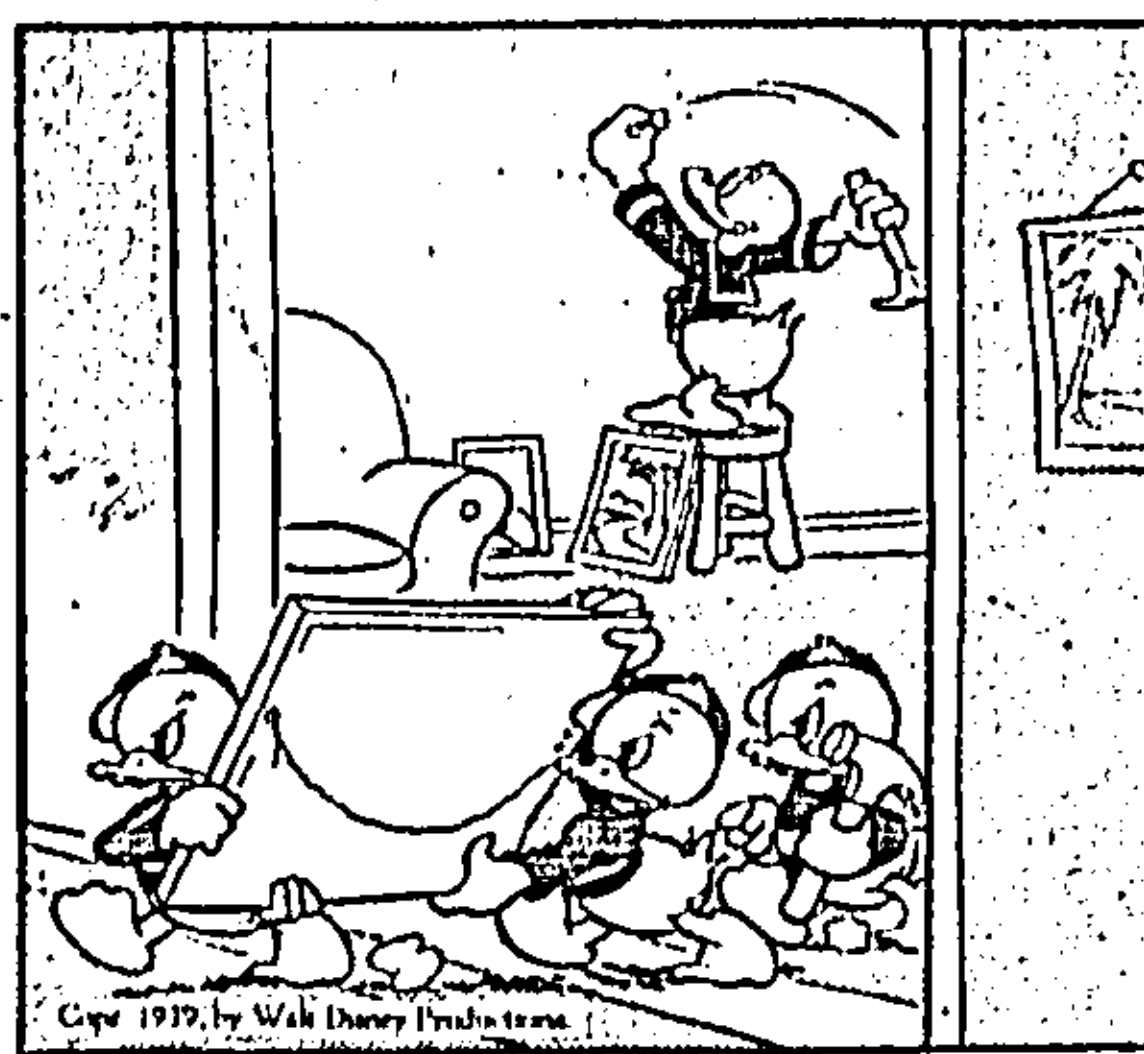
In The Boat, Op. 60, No. 3; A Swan, Op. 25, No. 2; Kirsten Flagstad (Soprano) with Piano accompaniment by Edwin McArthur; Peer Gynt Suite No. 2, Op. 55.

New Light Symphony Orchestra conducted by Eugene Goossens; Dream—Benjamin Gigli (Tenor) and the Berlin State Opera Orchestra conducted by Bruno Seldner-Winkel.

7.43 Choruses. The Family Song Album; Intro Little Annie Rooney; Ta-ra-ra-boom-de-ay; Man Who Broke the Bank at Monte Carlo; Let's all Go Down the Strand; If You Were the Only Girl in the World, Daddy Wouldn't Buy Me a Bow-Wow; Play to Me, Gipsy.

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Japan's Use Of Poison Gas On China Fronts

CHUNGKING, Mar. 16.

TWO INTERESTING military manuals, circulated by the Japanese China Expedition to their soldiers at the front and describing the use of several kinds of poison gas cylinders, have been made public here.

Manchukuo Millions
Huge Japanese Investments

HSINKING, Mar. 17.

JAPANESE INVESTMENT'S made in Manchukuo during 1938 in the form of securities and stocks totalled 601,000,000 yen as compared with 406,000,000 yen during the preceding year, showing an increase of 195,000,000 yen.

The grand total of Japanese investments in Manchukuo since the founding of the State amounts to 2,675,000,000 yen of which 1,724,000,000 yen had been subscribed in the past eight years since the Manchurian incident of 1931.—Domei.

Arabs Reject Proposals

LONDON, Mar. 16.

THE ARAB DELEGATES to the Palestine conference are understood also to have decided that the principles contained in the British proposals are unacceptable.

It is anticipated that to-morrow's meeting will be the last of the series.

"Reuter" understands that details of the proposals of the British Government make it clear that the ultimate objective is an independent Palestine State, possibly Federal in

Both pamphlets which were seized from the Japanese on the north Kiangsu front were printed on the 13th Year of Showa (1938), one explaining the results of the use of gas in the Japanese attack on Hsuechow and the other giving an extensive account of various smoke-throwing cylinders and bombs.

Aside from technical descriptions of the different types of gas bombs, the pamphlets also call special attention of the Japanese soldiers to the importance of keeping the use of gas a strict secret.

All empty cylinders after use, the manual directs, should be carefully laid away. They should be sunk to the bottom of lakes or rivers, buried under the earth, or otherwise hidden away from easy detection.

WARNED ABOUT FOREIGNERS
The manual particularly emphasises the importance of not using gas at places where there are foreigners in large numbers.

The pamphlet also reveals that in a number of cases, the use of gas has caused the Japanese themselves to be poisoned. It warns the users that utmost care must always be exercised in the handling of such chemical weapons.

The manual alleges that in many cases, the large scale use of gas has had the effect of weakening the Chinese strength of resistance. The battles of Kuechen, Shousien, Sianchow, Maian, as well as a series of heavy engagements on the Shansi front were enumerated as military justification for their use of gas.—Central News.

character in a treaty relation with Britain.

It is stated that one or two of the Jewish delegates to the conference may return to Palestine during the week-end, but the delegation as a whole will remain until the final word is spoken.—Reuter.

FIRE INSURANCE CO. REPORT

The Seventeenth Ordinary Meeting of the Hongkong Fire Insurance Co. Ltd., will be held at No. 18, Pedder Street, at noon on Friday, March 24, when the accounts and report for the last year's working will be considered.

The 1937 Account shows a surplus of \$405,880.01, and it is recommended that this sum be appropriated as follows:
To pay a Dividend of \$12 per share \$480,000.00
To add to Reinsurance Fund \$15,860.01
\$495,860.01

The Investment & Exchange Fluctuation Account: The sum of \$500,000.00 has been transferred from Reinsurance Fund to the credit of this Account.
1938 Account: The balance at credit of this Account is \$762,452.20.

Consulting Committee: Sir Robert Ho Tung resigned his seat for reasons of health and the Hon. Mr. M. K. Lo was invited to fill the vacancy. This appointment requires the confirmation of Shareholders.
Messrs. C. Bernard Brown, A. H. Campbell, T. E. Pearce, J. H. Tarrant and S. T. Williamson retire but, being eligible, offer themselves for re-election. Mr. F. A. Joseph is resigning from the Committee on leaving the Colony.

WAR IN CHINA

SITUATION REVIEWED IN ARMY COMMUNIQUE

CHUNGKING, Mar. 16.

THE GENERAL war situation during the past week was described by a communique of the Military Affairs Commission to-day as witnessing further slackening of Japanese activities on all fronts.

On the central Hupeh front, the Japanese paid the heavy toll of at least 6,000 casualties for the occupation of Chungsiang last week. The invaders' force has now been spent, while the Chinese troops, assuming the offensive, have already recaptured a

number of important points, including Changshoulin, Yangtseschen, Yunglung, and Sientaochen. To the south of the Kiangshang-Chungsiang highway, along the Chi River, and in south Hupeh, the Japanese westward spurt has also been called to an abrupt halt by the vigorous resistance of Chinese forces.

MANY JAPANESE KILLED
During the past month, it is estimated, more than 2,000 Japanese were sacrificed in their unsuccessful attempt to push westward. In the vicinity of Yangsin and Tayeh alone 600 Japanese were killed in a series of bitter combats.

Equally unsuccessful pushes by the Japanese forces featured development on the Kwangtung front. Although Japanese strength has been increased on the outskirts of Canton, their activities were confined to the erection of defence works.

North of Tsungta, the two small villages of Takongling and Maoerling were recaptured by Chinese forces after a vigorous artillery attack on March 8. The Japanese lost 300 men before finally retreating to Sonkong.

FAHSIEN SUCCESS

At Fushien, Chinese forces scored a handsome win on the morning of March 11, when 200 Japanese were killed in a bitter struggle. On the same day a squadron of Chinese planes conducted raids on the Japanese positions at Sunkai, Tai-pingchong and other places and exacted heavy tolls from the enemy. On the Hainan Island, Chinese forces on March 12 and 13 staged a heavy attack on Lungmenshin and Tungkihsiang and for a time advanced to the immediate outskirts of Kiungshan (Hohow) and T'ingnan. Japanese defence at the two towns has since been strengthened.

On the Shansi front, Chinese aimed the recapture of Taiwu during the last weekend. The attempts of the Japanese to cross the Yellow River to attack Shenai have again been frustrated.

In north Kiangsu, Chinese forces have completed plans for counter-attacking Hsinyin which they now surround. The recapture of Paoyin has been officially confirmed.—Central News.

End To Winter

BERLIN, Conn.
Winter came in like a lion and will go out the same way, according to local old-time forecasts. By studying the shading of stripes on caterpillars, they predicted a comparatively mild period before the season ends with a flourish.

Murder Charge: Man Remanded

Charged with having murdered Hyoshi Sagara, a Japanese, in his restaurant in Wanchai on January 28, Li Ping-chun, 22, partner of the Chia Heng Sut Restaurant, appeared before Mr. R. A. D. Forrest at the Central Magistracy this morning, when he was formally remanded for another week.

Li is alleged to have attacked the Japanese on January 28 with a chopper, and the man died in the Queen Mary Hospital about five weeks later from his wounds.

Mr. C. A. S. Russ was present in Court, and said that he would be prosecuting for the defence, while Sub-Prosecutor W. N. Darkin said Mr. J. Whyatt, Crown Counsel, would be prosecuting.

Shanghai Chamber Of Commerce Protests At New Currency Laws

SHANGHAI, Mar. 17.

AN "EMPHATIC PROTEST" by the British Chamber of Commerce against the introduction of currency regulations in North China under the auspices of the Japanese, was made here to-day in the form of a special statement issued by Sir Robert Calder Marshall, Chairman of the Chamber.

The statement, which Sir Robert Marshall declares "expresses the views of the British Chamber," describes the new measures as "definitely discriminatory against British interests," and a "most flagrant attack on the doctrine of the open door."

The statement adds that should the new regulation succeed it would have a "disastrous effect" on British and all foreign trade and it urges that every effort should be made to render them nugatory.

THE STATEMENT

The statement follows:
"On March 11, regulations issued by the Provisional Government of North China for the control of currency became operative in all the important cities and ports under Japanese control in North China, including Peking, Tientsin, Tsingtao, Chefoo, and Weihaiwei. The regulations are intended to enforce the use of the Federated Reserve notes which are linked to the yen, and which, being inadequately backed, have little or no value in foreign exchange, and to oust the Chinese national currency which is backed by reserves, and which has definite foreign exchange value.

"In order to establish circulation of the Federal Reserve Bank currency, the customs are forbidden to permit the export of certain goods, constituting the main articles of export in North China unless foreign exchange for such shipments are negotiated through the Yokohama Specie Bank and converted into the Federal Reserve Bank rate of four-tenth pence.

"This rule automatically establishes a financial monopoly in favour of Japanese banks, and would, if business on such a basis could continue, provide foreign exchange backing for the inadequately secured Federal Reserve Bank currency. This attempt at the stabilisation of Federal Reserve Bank currency can only result in a general stoppage of trade, and the probable closure of many foreign concerns as would be unable to trade in currency not freely convertible in foreign exchange.

DIFFERENT FOR JAPANESE

"For the Japanese, the position is somewhat different as in trading in Federal Reserve banknotes, they are accepting a currency which can be made available for the purchases of supplies in Japan.

"While the effect of this regulation will firstly be felt by exporters of China produce, it will soon be felt equally by importers of foreign goods (other than the Japanese) as there is no guarantee that even such foreign exchange as may become available from exports will be used to finance imports, and will result in the immediate reduction in volume of all imports other than Japanese. Furthermore, even if some foreign exchange is made available to importers, its inadequacy spells a system of allotment, placing in the hands of the Federated Reserve Bank measures to control and restrict foreign imports, which are quite incompatible with existing treaties. This attempt to force an unbacked currency in North China must therefore have a disastrous effect on the British channels of supply and distribution. Should the Japanese succeed in promoting in China a currency linked with the yen, it will place foreign traders at a disadvantage, even as they are placed in Manchuria.

"The regulations, therefore, are definitely discriminatory against British interests, and constitute a very flagrant attack on the doctrine of the open door and equal opportunity, and every effort should be made to render them nugatory.

"The British Chamber emphatically protest against this ill-considered scheme, which will damage, not only British interests, but all other non-Japanese interests in North China, and may eventually have damaging effects over a wider area."—Reuter.

H.K. Stock Market

The following quotations were issued on the Hongkong Stock Market this morning:

BANKS

H.K. Banks \$.....1400/20 sa.
H.K. Banks Lon. £.....485 n.
Chartered £.....454 n.
Mercantile, A. & B. £.....274 n.
Mercantile, C. £.....13 n.
East Asia \$.....80 b.

INSURANCES

Canton \$.....225 b.
Union \$.....485 n.
China Underwriter call pd. \$1 1/2 n.
H.K. Fire \$.....105 b.

SHIPPING

Douglas \$.....68 b.
Steamboats \$.....15 n.
Indo-Chinas, P. \$.....60 n.
Indo-Chinas, DS. \$.....24 n.
Shell Benares s/-.....85/- n.
Waterboats \$.....0 n.

DOCKS ETC.

Wharves \$.....118 1/2 n.
Docks \$.....10 1/4 b.
Providents (old) \$.....6.30 n.
Providents (new) \$.....6.04 n.
New Eng. Sh. \$.....8.00 n.
Sha. Docks, Sh. \$.....105 n.

MINING

Kailan s/-.....10/3 n.
Raub \$.....8.35 n.
Yenz. Goldfield \$.....3 n.
Hongkong Mines etc. \$.....5 n.
Antamoks Ps. \$.....43 1/2 sa.
Atoks Ps. \$.....30 1/2 sa.
Baguio Gold ps. \$.....13.60 sa.
Benguet Cons. Ps. \$.....13.60 sa.
Coco Grove Ps. \$.....40 1/4 sa.
Con Mines Ps. \$.....15 1/2 sa.
Demonstrations Ps. \$.....65 sa.
I.X.L. Ps. \$.....10 1/2 sa.
Gumaua Ps. \$.....10 1/2 sa.
San Mauricio Ps. \$.....2.20 sa.
Suyoc Consol Ps. \$.....20 1/2 sa.
Paracalles Ps. \$.....77 sa.

LANDS

Hotels \$.....6.35 sa.
Lands \$.....30 3/4 sa.
Lands 4% deb. \$.....107 1/2 n.
Shai Lands Sh. \$.....9.94 n.
Humphreys \$.....8.55 n.
H.K. Realities \$.....4.80 n.
Chinese Estates \$.....100 n.

UTILITIES

Trams \$.....16.00 n.
Peak Trams (old) \$.....8 n.
Peak Trams (new) \$.....4 n.
Star Ferries \$.....67 1/2 n.
Y. Ferries (old) \$.....25 sa.
Y. Ferries (new) \$.....24 b.
China Lights (old) \$.....8.50 n.
China Light (new) \$.....5 n.
H.K. Electric \$.....57 sa.
Maeco Electric \$.....18 1/4 sa.
Sandakan Lights \$.....11.10 b.
Telephones (old) \$.....22 1/4 b.
Telephones (new) \$.....7 1/4 b.
Traction s/-.....22/6 n.
Traction (Pref.) s/-.....23/0 n.

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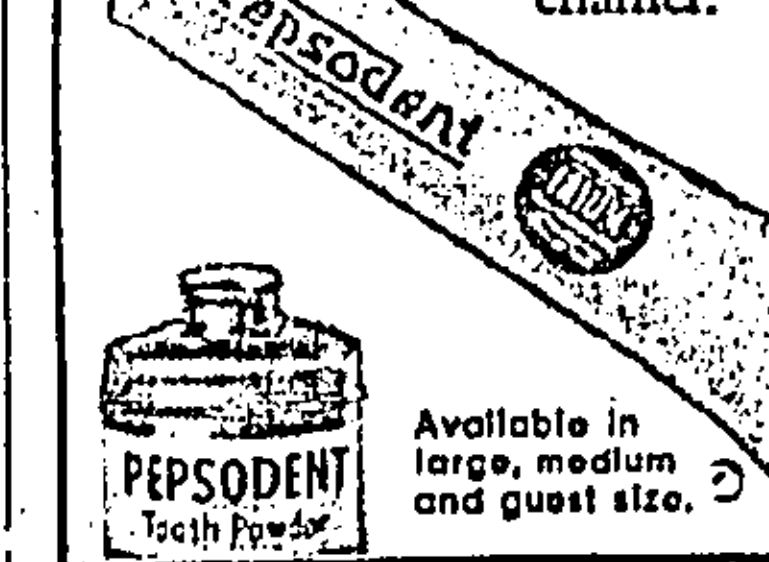
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DEATH

LELLO.—Suddenly at Macao on March 11, Helena Loureiro Lello, widow of the late Dr. A. P. Lello, and dearly beloved daughter of Mrs. Mary Loureiro de Paula Road.

The
Hongkong Telegraph.
Wyndham St., Hongkong
Phone 26615
March 17, 1939

Democracy on Trial

WHAT IS clear regarding the rape of Czechoslovakia is that that country, whilst not perfect in its administration of minorities, suffered dismemberment and oblivion not for its own sins against minorities, as Hitler would have us believe, but for the ambitions of other states to confiscate those minorities and the territory they inhabit.

Czechoslovakia's fate was sealed not so much because it was damned by its minorities as because it was blessed by geography that became the target for the sort of attack against which even the fastness of Bohemia proved inadequate fortification.

"Whoever is master of Bohemia is master of Europe." The thought was Bismarck's, and every attempt of German leaders to move eastward has impressed them with the sagacity of that observation.

How Herr Hitler will be able to reconcile his previous expressions of the right of self-determination with the seizure of a land in which nearly eight million people now become a minority in Germany is hard to conceive.

In September, it will be recalled, Herr Hitler purported to desire no more than the absorption of Germany's own kin and expressed his claimed intention of dominating the Czechs. How then, is the satisfaction of that right for the Czechs not as much a sine qua non of European peace as the satisfaction of the rights of the German minority. There is no reconciling Herr Hitler's solemn pledges and undertakings at Munich, and subsequently, in his speech at Nuremberg, with his actions in Central Europe and, to our shame, we have been made, unwittingly perhaps, a party to the dismemberment of a nation which put its trust in Democracy.

Democracy's diplomacy has lamentably failed against the Totalitarianism. Firstly, forgotten Hitler-Selassie could at least have been Emperor of a considerable portion of his country had he broken faith with the nations who broke faith with him. Spain would not have faced the threat of vassalage to Rome had Democracy insisted that the Non-Intervention policy which it framed had been carried out. Democracy undoubtedly has failed China.

The record, in fact, is one of Totalitarian States will view with satisfaction and historians with contempt.

To-day Irishmen the world over celebrate the Day of

SAINT PATRICK

TO-DAY, Irishmen the world over, and not least in Hongkong, are honouring the memory of their patron Saint. And no one has a better right to that title than St. Patrick—even though he was born in Scotland or, as some say, in Wales.

THE STORY of his life is obscured yet enriched by legends.

The Book of Lismore tells us that when the newly born child was taken for

St. Patrick's Breastplate—his hymn on the Trinity—was for long supposed by the Irish peasantry to have the power of warding off evil.

This was presumably an extension of the Saint's own power to perform miracles.

He is popularly credited with being responsible for the expulsion of all venomous snakes from Ireland.

On another occasion, we are told, he emerged victorious from a contest in magic skill with a Druid priest at Tara.

Lucetmael, the Druid, was

able by incantations to cover the plain with snow, though he could only make it disappear at the same hour a day later.

"Thou canst do evil, but not good," said St. Patrick, and when he had blessed the plain the snow was no longer there.

LEGEND APART, however, it is an undoubted historical fact that Irish civilisation owes much to St. Patrick.

His missionary work did a great deal to spread the light, not only of Christian knowledge, but of the civilisation and culture that went with it.

He bridged the gap between the Irish and the Roman churches; and in the strength his organisation gave to the scattered Christian communities of the country did Ireland find the seeds of her future greatness as a land of "saints and scholars."

YOUR HEART —Forget It

HAVE you ever been to your doctor to ask for a thorough overhaul? If so, I wager you heaved a bigger sigh of relief in hearing his "Nothing wrong with your heart, anyway" than at anything else.

People worry about their hearts too much, and if it isn't their hearts it's their blood pressure.

I remember a man who led a sedentary life in town, and reaped its usual fruit in extra fat, a bluish complexion, a tendency to bronchitis, and shortness of breath.

I took him to one of the greatest heart experts in London. And this is what the specialist said to him: "I wouldn't change hearts with you for worlds. Yours is simply overfed and under-exercised. Go up to the mountains and give it some better work to do than just pumping blood through that unnecessary encumbrance of fat. Go and slim yourself."

So the man climbed a hill or two daily. The result was that his heart, overworked through labouring to nourish excess tissue, recovered its full strength. He is now the most active man of his age I know.

EVERY doctor is familiar who says "I want you to have a look at my heart; I've been having such pains there lately." The doctor finds in almost every case just what he expects: a normal heart, but a stomach overburdened with fatulence.

Adults are terribly easily scared about their hearts. When they are overworked and then give a beat out of rhythm. They feel this like a sudden pounding, and get alarmed.

Yet all they want is a little explanation, the possibility of getting better sleep with the aid of a sedative, and the hope even of a holiday.

Blood pressure is another great phobia. I used to know a clergyman of 81 whose son was a doctor. The son was very proud of his father's astronomical height of 230, yet never seemed to interfere with the old boy's habit of going out into the garden to lay out a new flower-bed in the morning, and going for a row on the lake in the afternoon.

So don't worry about the blood pressure or the hardness of the arteries either till your doctor tells you to. Before anything adverse happens to you in that line there are likely to be great discoveries made. They are on the way now; and I shall tell you about them shortly.

GRIN AND BEAR IT

By Lichty



BRITAIN PREPARES—IV

NATIONAL SERVICE

EDITOR'S NOTE: In the next war Britain, for the first time

in 900 years, will be in grave danger of armed invasion. In the past the navy kept her shore intact. The danger now is from the air. To meet this modern peril, Britain is organising her civil population. Every able-bodied man and woman will have a job to do. This series of articles, which concludes to-day, tells the story of Britain's army of "passive defence", and of the hundred-and-one other ways in which Britain is preparing for war at home.

ALONGSIDE the general Government plan, local authorities, public utilities, and private firms are doing their own bit for Britain's defence in the next war.

In the case of local authorities, while they have more or less a free hand to decide their own means of defence, they are controlled by the Government to this extent: that the national exchequer will loan from 60 to 85 per cent. of the cost.

It is estimated that this means an expenditure of about £2,500,000 a year over four years, with a continuing cost of 70 per cent. of that paid by the local authorities.

HERE ARE some of their schemes: The Port of London covers an area of 45 miles of docks and quays and 70 miles of river. It has a population of 20,000,000 with a radius of 100 miles of the river. An average of 1,000 ships pass through it every week, and it has an actual population of 60,000, 20,000 of whom work on the river.

To protect this vital source of supplies, the balloon barrage and anti-aircraft guns will be particularly closely clustered in the port area. In addition, the river workers are being trained in special A.R.P. work, and the stevedores are learning to load and unload at night in a minimum of light.

Shelters and decontamination and first-aid huts are being built. Trenches are being dug, and at some places barges will be used as shelters. It is planned that there will be cover of some sort every few hundred yards.

Four thousand volunteers are needed, and it is estimated that 2,000 have enrolled already.

The seventy miles of river as far as Teddington has been divided into 25 sections, and it is planned to have a fleet of fire-fighting tugs, and barges with fire-pumps towed by motor-boats. Another idea is to have scores of fast motor-boats as dispatch riders.

The heads of the heavy industry concerns have been in conference, and have drawn up plans to put it on a wartime basis at 24 hours notice.

The iron and steel industries have a plan of co-ordination that will enable a turn-out of 14,000,000 tons annually—a figure never yet achieved. The engineering industry is ready to switch over to munitions. Committees of supply for labour and material have been appointed.

The coal industry has made arrangements to prevent the rush of miners to the army as they did in the world war.

The motor-car factories are all geared to switch over to airplane construction.

WHILE THE government laboratories are experimenting in methods of propulsion for plant, vehicles and fuel, the oil industry is also making its own arrangements. At the oil and gasoline reserves, particularly along the Thames, special fire precautions have been

installed. Special evacuation plans have been drawn up, and high walls and deep trenches have been dug around the tanks to prevent fire from spreading. At one depot a huge concrete saucer has been built around the tanks to catch the burning liquid.

In addition the motor car industry has instituted a national register of its own, and it already knows the capacity of 20,000 garages in the country. It has divided Britain into areas and districts with lists of all owners and operators of commercial vehicles, but not private cars. Local officers will have power to commandeer in an emergency.

The electricity concerns have decided to form a national reserve of equipment. It will cost about £3,000,000, and they hope the government will pay half. The remainder will be raised by a levy on authorised undertakings, but not at the expense of the tax-payer.

THE METROPOLITAN WATER BOARD, some time ago, decided to spend over £400,000 on defence, of which the government promised to provide £165,000. The board has already spent £200,000, and is getting a little worried about the government grant.

The money is being spent on portable pumping plant, units for sterilizing fouled mains, steel plates for windows and roofs of pumping stations, fire mains and hydrants, and shelters at works, pumping stations, and in the basement of the head works. The key personnel of 27,000 has been trained in A.R.P.

Under the direction of the British Medical Association, the co-ordination of all medical services under a single body is being arranged. A national register of doctors and nurses is being prepared.

AND TO CONCLUDE this series showing how Britain has adopted the scouts' motto: "Be Prepared!"

Sir John Anderson has stated that 500,000 men and women will be needed for A.R.P. work in wartime. He also said that under the national service scheme recruits will be instructed less in anti-gas precautions than in incendiary bombs and high explosives.

There were approximately 1,100,000 volunteers for A.R.P.—720,000 men and 380,000 women—at the end of January.

Southport, Lancashire, is the first district to put out the "house full" sign for A.R.P. work.

Sandbags are being manufactured at the rate of 2,000,000 a week. During the crisis 8,000,000 were available. A total of 275,000,000 is scheduled.

One of the organisations under the heading of national service is the Auxiliary Territorial Service for women. They are the successors to the famous war-time W.A.A.C.'s, and they will perform non-combatant duties with the regular and territorial armies and the Royal Air Force. A strength of 2,000 officers (Continued on Page 11.)

NAZIS SUPREME IN NEWEST CAPITAL

STATESMEN AND DIPLOMATS all over Europe to-day have their eyes on Chust. Chust is the capital of Ruthenia (now known as Carpatho-Ukraine), one of the three semi-autonomous provinces of Czecho-Slovakia divided up this week.

Carpatho-Ukraine's 750,000 inhabitants saw themselves as the spearhead of a nationalist movement by which an Ukrainian State would be set up embracing the 30,000,000 Ukrainians in the U.S.S.R. and the millions in Poland.

Hitler encouraged them, for the detachment of the Soviet Ukraine has long been one of his aims. But Hungary, which does not desire a Ukraine Republic on her frontier, appears to have forestalled Hitler by marching into Chust. Below a special correspondent exclusively tells of conditions in Chust just before the Hungarian occupation yesterday.

ALL NEWS IS CENSORED

(By a Correspondent)

CHUST, Mar. 16. HEADQUARTERS of a movement which will in the next few years affect 45 million Ukrainians, Chust, capital of Carpatho-Ukraine, is to-day a hotbed of intrigue, espionage, and counter-espionage, with Germany playing the leading role.

I have just made a visit of investigation to this struggling, insanitary, muddy little town of 25,000 people, and it is almost impossible to tell the truth about Carpatho-Ukraine while within its frontiers.

Every non-German foreigner appears to be automatically regarded by the authorities as hostile and suspicious.

As in Germany there is officially no censorship of outgoing news, but no journalist can send a telegram or make a telephone call without its contents being known to the Government.

A British resident was recently summoned to the police headquarters to answer an entirely trumped-up accusation of "having consorted with a Polish agent" during a visit to a distant part of the country on the previous day.

Political activity in Chust is concentrated in the Government Building, as the former municipal offices are now called in the larger of the town's two hotels.

The latter is also the headquarters of the Sitch, the Ukrainian Storm Troops.

The hotel manager is a German-speaking Ukrainian who, until a few years ago, had lived in Brno, Moravia.

Every night at the hotel a table with the Swastika flag is reserved for German residents and visitors.

Present among them is the local correspondent of the "Volksischer Beobachter." He appears to be regarded as an official representative of the Reich.

TORCH PARADE

On the night before the recent elections, first under the autonomous regime, a crowd of about 1,000 villagers stood about in the mud for a couple of hours listening to gramophone records of Ukrainian music amplified through loud speakers installed on a balcony of the Sitch headquarters.

Speeches were made by the Propaganda Chief, M. Komarnitsky, and by M. Voron, the General Secretary of the Ukrainian National Union, the only political party.

Besides the speeches and music, a bonfire was lit on a local hilltop, the people were ordered to hang out blue and yellow Ukrainian flags.

Lighted candles were placed in the windows and there were even to have been a torchlight procession. A snowfall, however, made it necessary for the procession to go without its torches.

Imitation of the Nazis by the members of the Sitch, includes the use of the raised right arm for saluting and a greeting "Slava Ukraine" which, translated, is roughly "Hell the Ukraine."

SIMPLE PEASANTS

The Sitch and the Ukrainian National Union have also sent a telegram to Hitler stating that they associate themselves with the anti-Comintern Pact.

German influence is such that it is almost impossible to interview a Ukrainian Minister or higher official without a Nazi agent being present at the meeting.

So superstitious are these simple-minded peasants that M. Voron created a profound impression on election eve by his statement that those who voted "No" would be traitors, and that when they died the earth would reject them from their graves.

This, apparently, is one of the greatest curses which can befall a Ukrainian.

Spelling Bee

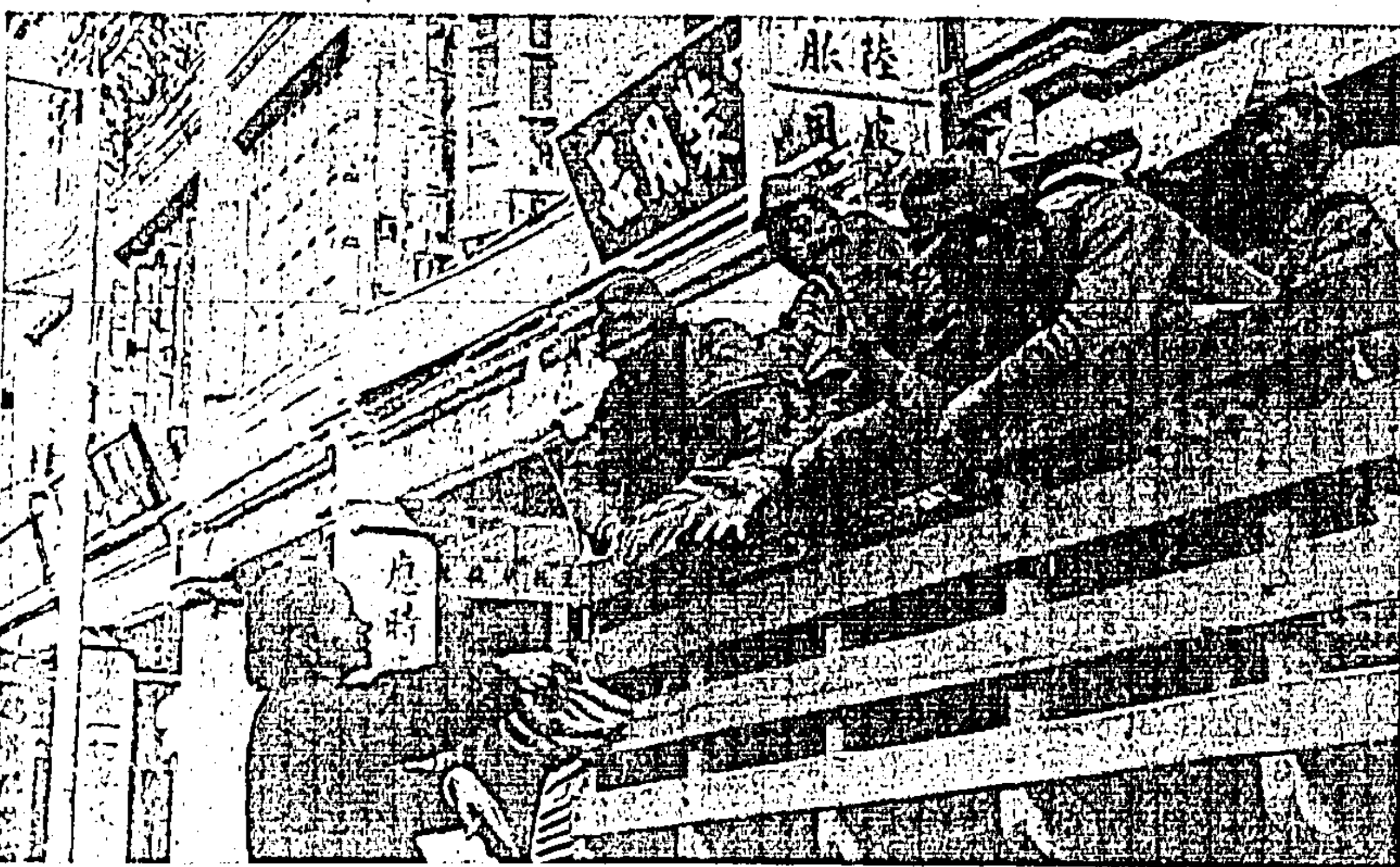
HOW many of these words are correct and what is wrong with the others?

holocaust assessor
hogshed assayer
homestead
English Oxford Dictionary spellings of these words will be found on page 9.

Religion 'Booms' in U.S.

NEW YORK, MAR. 16. AMERICA IS ENJOYING A "BOOM" IN RELIGION. A CAREFUL CHECK-UP BY THE REV. H. C. WEBER, EDITOR OF THE "YEAR BOOK OF AMERICAN CHURCHES," REVEALS THAT TO-DAY THERE ARE 64,150,895 ATTENDING MEMBERS OF CHRISTIAN CHURCHES IN THE COUNTRY.

DURING THE PAST TWELVE MONTHS MEMBERSHIP INCREASED BY 963,396.



JAPANESE SOLDIERS In Canton bargain for a bunch of bananas with a hawker.

HITLER'S PROCLAMATION

"Occupied Area Belongs To Greater Reich"

PRAGUE, Mar. 16. HERR JOACHIM VON RIBBENTROP, the Reich Foreign Minister, to-day broadcast over all German and Czech radio stations, the following proclamation issued by Herr Adolf Hitler:

"For 1,000 years the lands of Bohemia and Moravia belonged to the sphere of the German nation. Violence, coupled with a lack of understanding, arbitrarily tore from their ancient and historic environment, and included them in the artificial Czecho-Slovak State, with the result that a centre of permanent unrest was created.

"The danger increased every year that this region might again—as had already once been the case in the past—become a terrain of menace to European peace, since the Czecho-Slovak Government had not succeeded in organising co-operation of the artificially united groups, and had therefore failed to establish the preservation of their common State.

"The Czecho-Slovak State, therefore, demonstrated its own inherent incapacity to live, and has now succumbed to an inevitable dissolution. The German Reich, however, cannot tolerate lasting disturbances in a region which is so vitally important alike for its own tranquillity and security, and for the general welfare and peace.

"As a power, which, both for historical and geographical reasons is most greatly interested and affected, Germany would, sooner or later, have had to bear the direct consequences.

"Hence, it is but conformable with the law of self-preservation that the German Reich should be determined to intervene, in order to restore the foundations of reasonable conditions in Central Europe, and to take measures accordingly.

"REICH ALONE CAPABLE
"In the course of its 1,000 years of history, it has been proved that the German Reich is alone capable of solving this problem by reason alike of strength and of the peculiar qualities of the German people.

"Inspired by the wish to serve the real interests of the peoples and inhabitants of this region, of assuring the maintenance of the national characteristics of the German and Czech peoples, and of contributing to peace and social welfare of all, I therefore, in the name of the German Reich, promulgate herewith the following enactments:

"BELONGS TO REICH.
"Article 1: That the part of the territory of the former Czecho-Slovakia occupied by German troops in March, 1939 belongs henceforth to the territory of the Greater German Reich, under the protection of which it is placed as the 'Protectorate of Bohemia and Moravia.' In a measure that the defence of the Reich may demand of it, the Fuehrer will make other arrangements for individual districts.

"Article 2: German inhabitants of the protectorate will become German nationals and citizens of the Reich conformably with the provisions of the Reich Law of September 19, 1935. Articles of that Law relating to the protection of German blood and German honour will consequently apply also to them, and they will be subject to the jurisdiction of the German courts. Other inhabitants of Bohemia and Moravia will be citizens of the protectorate of Bohemia and Moravia.

"Article 3: The protectorate of Bohemia and Moravia is autonomous and has its own administration. It exercises its sovereign rights within the status of the protectorate in keeping with the political, military

and economic interests of the Reich. Such sovereign rights will be exercised by the protectorate's own administrations and with its own officials.

"Article 4: The head of the autonomous administration of the protectorate of Bohemia and Moravia is appointed by the Fuehrer with residence in Prague. The Reich Protector, as representative of the Fuehrer and the Reich Chancellor, has a duty to see that the political directions of the Fuehrer are carried out. Members of the protectorate's Government must be confirmed by the Reich-Protector. This confirmation may be withdrawn. The Reich Protector is entitled to information on all measures he believes likely to be against the Reich's interests, and in case of danger, can take in common interest, measures which he deems necessary. The announcement of laws, decrees, or other proposed measures, as well as the practical application of administrative measures and legal decisions is to be postponed if the Reich Protector protests.

"Article 5: The foreign affairs of the protectorate, especially the protection of its subjects abroad, are taken over by the Reich. The Reich will conduct foreign affairs in accordance with common interests. The protectorate will have a representative attached to the Reich Government styled a 'Minister.'

"MILITARY PROTECTION
"Article 6: The Reich gives military protection to the protectorate. In order to fulfil this duty, the Reich will keep garrisons and military establishments in the protectorate. In order to preserve order and peace within the protectorate, the protectorate will be allowed to keep its own organisations, but their strength, number, and armaments is fixed by the Reich Government.

"Article 7: The Reich is entitled to pass laws with validity for the protectorate if necessary in common interests. As far as common necessity exists, the Reich can take over part of the protectorate's administration into the direct Reich administration, and install the necessary Reich authorities. The Reich Government is entitled to take all measures necessary to keep up safety and order.

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A Look Through The Telegraph

50 YEARS AGO

March 17, 1889. A refreshingly cool thief faced the Magistrate this morning. He went into a house in Wellington Street and lifted the door off its hinges, preparatory to removing the building. Six weeks.

It is pleasing to read that Queen Victoria has intimated her intention of relaxing the strict rules about the cut of dresses of ladies attending the drawing-rooms. So far as early spring fashions are concerned, they will not be required to expose themselves half naked to the hot sun of a March day.

25 YEARS AGO

March 17, 1914. The Duke of Wellington has forwarded a letter to the Lord Mayor of London appealing to the public for £10,000 a year to acquire the site of the battlefield of Waterloo on the occasion of his centenary, and thus prevent any building upon it. The Committee already formed includes Lord Roberts and Lord Methuen.

The suffragists, dressed with white paint on the entire interior of Birmingham Cathedral the words "Votes for Women" and similar war cries. The magnificent Burne-Jones window is feared to be seriously disfigured.

10 YEARS AGO

March 17, 1929. How fast can a motor-car go? It is the opinion of designers of racing cars that a speed of 250 miles an hour will some day be attained. Although when Captain Campbell hung up his record of 205.35 miles per hour, it was believed that his record would stand indefinitely.

One of the difficulties in the speed tests of the racing car is in timing the car when it is making its best mile. Since the rules require that the car be timed in both directions and that an average be struck, (The record is now 357 m.p.h., set by George Eyston last September. Timing is now recorded automatically by an electric eye.)—Ed.

5 YEARS AGO

March 17, 1934. H.M.S. Cornwall and H.M.S. Wren will be thrown open to visitors to-morrow.

Hellens to the great Woolworth mill-lions, Princess Alexis Midval passed through Hongkong yesterday by the Lloyd Triestino liner Conte Verde, accompanied by Prince Alexis.

Prince and Princess Midval are on a belated honeymoon. They were married in June last year but the press of social engagements forced the popular couple to delay the honeymoon.

In addition to the first suits on the Conte Verde extra coach were occupied by members of her party, including her companion and secretary, and her cousin and his valet.

Forty trunks, marked with the Midval crest in the form of a royal crown, contain the Princess's wardrobe, from the smartest Parisian dress-makers, and a separate case hold her collection of jewels and costume accessories.

F.B.I. Delegation Leaves Germany

LONDON, MAR. 16. The Federation of British Industries delegation to Dusseldorf is returning to London to-morrow, and has abandoned its intention of spending a day in Berlin due to the postponement of the visit of Mr. Hudson and Mr. Stanley.

An agreement was signed to-day by the F.B.I. delegation and the Reichsgruppe Industries at Dusseldorf. Both consider that negotiations for this purpose should be started immediately and that a joint standing committee should be appointed which would meet in England in June to report on progress.—Reuter.

Quarantine restrictions have been imposed by the Government of Ceylon against arrivals from Hongkong on account of smallpox.

FREDDIE AN AMERICAN?

NEW YORK, MAR. 16. FREDDIE BARTHOLOMEW, 2600-a-week British boy film star, and his Aunt Millicent, his guardian, may become American citizens.

"I am earning my living here and I propose to remain here," was the reason given to-day in Hollywood by Miss Bartholomew.

"Naturally, I must consider the legal effect of my application for citizenship papers on Freddie's status. I am legally his mother, under American law, but I am uncertain whether any change on my part automatically makes Freddie American until he is 21."

Freddie himself said: "I like America and Americans tremendously, but I still regard England as my country and King George VI. as my king."

Freddie plans to enrol at Culver Military Academy for the summer session of July and August.

JAPANESE BOMB KULING

NANCHANG, MAR. 17. Kuling, the famous summer resort in north Kiangs, was bombed by nine Japanese planes on Tuesday.

It may be recalled that though a part of the foreign residents atop the hill were evacuated recently, many others who are unable to evacuate still remain.

The Japanese raiders dropped over ten bombs. One hit a British residence which was conspicuously marked by a British flag. A tailor seeking shelter there was killed. Another missile landed in the campus of an American school. All the other bombs, including several incendiaries, fell on vacant lots.—Central News.

CHINESE PLANES SWING INTO ACTION

WANCHIAO, MAR. 17. Japanese positions at Singtze, 20 miles southwest of Kuling, on the west bank of Poyang Lake, were bombed by Chinese planes yesterday morning. Many high explosives were dumped, causing heavy casualties among the Japanese troops.

Japanese anti-aircraft guns barked at the Chinese raiders furiously but caused no damage.

From Singtze the Chinese aircraft winged their way to Hukow at the mouth of the Poyang Lake, where they dumped some more missiles on the Japanese positions.—Central News.

Passengers Steal Taxi

POLICE are searching for four Chinese who seized a taxi-cab at Pokfulam at 1.30 a.m. after threatening driver and drove away without him. Taxi was later recovered at Wongchicheong Gap Road. Driver reports that four men hired taxi at Wanchai to go to Pokfulam and when reached destination threatened him in argument over fare. He ran away and passengers made off with car.

Bulgarian Premier In Turkey

ISTANBUL, MAR. 16. The Bulgarian Premier, M. Kreschavansoff arrived here to-day en route to Ankara to see President Inceciu.

Turkish political circles attach great importance to the talks which may mark a step towards completion of the formidable Balkan bloc by the adhesion of Bulgaria, though it is believed Bulgaria will not join the bloc without concession to its revisionist claims.—Reuter.

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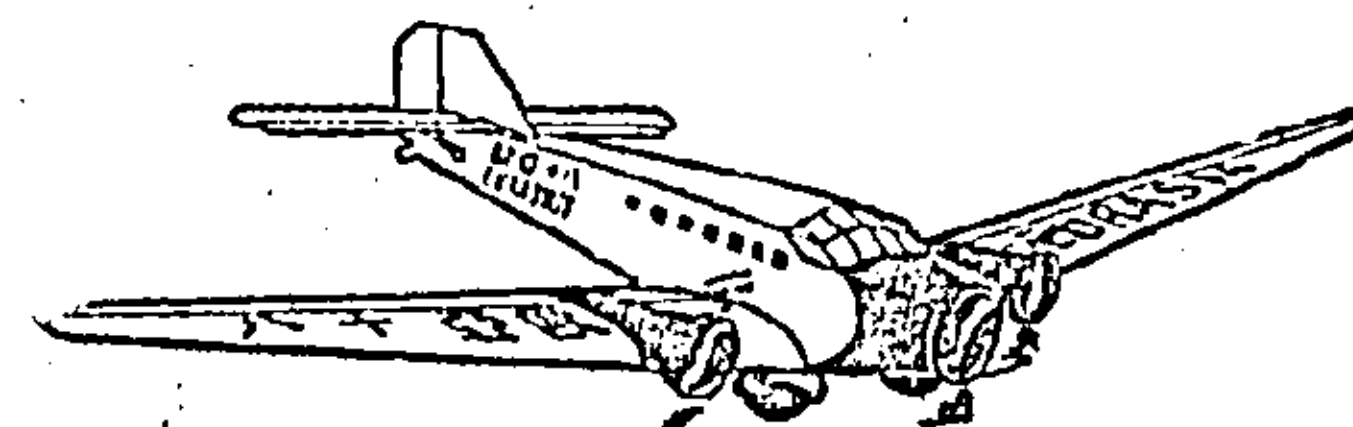
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NINE EVENTS ARRANGED FOR EXTRA MEETING

In Reality Continuation Of
The Annual Carnival

(By "Captain Foster")

The three important classic events of local racing have come and gone. We have all seen the easy win of Rose Elect in the Hongkong Derby, the brilliant achievements of Marksman as the best China sub-griffin of this season's batch, and the sparkling performance of Triumphant Day in the Rooty-Hill Derby.

It is a long stretch to the Spring of 1940, but it will no doubt source of satisfaction to racing enthusiasts to know that there is here at present a bunch of Russian dealers soliciting for orders or trying to sell China ponies for next year's racing. I have not heard of any transaction, but I have reason to believe that a few deals will be closed before the week is over. It therefore augurs well for 1940's prosperity.

Meanwhile, however, let us concentrate on the extra meetings of the Hongkong Jockey Club. Tomorrow's Gymkhana is the prelude to a series of six Extra Race Meetings before the recess. The First Extra Meeting to-morrow (saddling bell at 1.30 p.m.) is in reality a continuation of the Annual Carnival, for there are a few open races confined to Australian and China ponies that started at the big meeting and did not win.

PONIES TO BE CLASSIFIED

After to-morrow's racing, Australian and China ponies will be classified on Monday, March 20, provided application in writing is made by the owner or his authorised agent stating the name of the ponies for which classification is desired. Attention of owners is drawn to the fact that subsequent applications for classification or demotion must reach the Secretary not later than 48 hours before the time fixed for closing the entries for any Race Meeting. China ponies will be divided into "A", "B", "C", "D" and "E" classes while the Australian ponies will be segregated into "A", "B" and "C" only.

The major portion of the programme of our extra meetings will be the usual handicap events for all classes among the Australian and China ponies and no doubt the

Special Homoside Soccer Forecast

The following teams are specially selected to win in the Home Football programme to-morrow:

Home Winners

Arsenal
Everton
Blackburn
Manchester C.
Bristol C.
Notts County
Doncaster
Southport

Optional Selections

Aston Villa
Derby
Northampton
Watford
Hartlepool

champions will be subject to a severe test in the matter of conceding poucentage. To-morrow the Tytam Handicap (two sections) confined to China ponies, subscription griffins of this season, is the first venture of the official handicapper's distribution of the lead and the gentleman in charge of handing out the weights has assigned 21 ponies in each section.

"Capt. Foster" Reviews Prospects Of Each Race

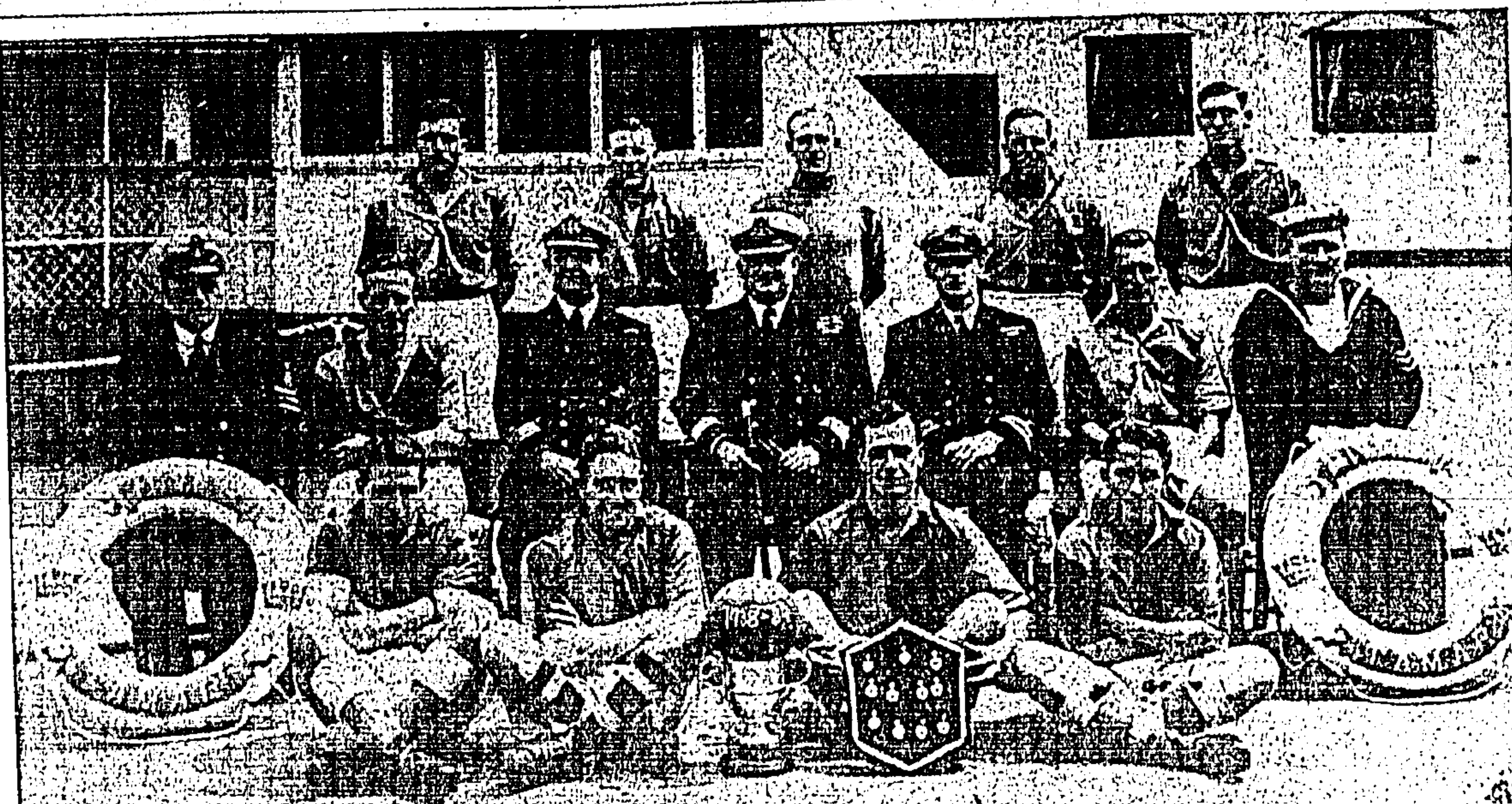
THE curtain raiser will be the Hay and Corn Stakes for China and griffins of any race that have started at least twice at the big session and have not won. It is a scramble for the 1½ mile post (about half mile 170 yards) and the sprint has attracted no less than 30 entries. We shall certainly see a large field and a lot of course depends upon the draw of positions. It is an interesting contest between the old stagers and the spring chickens of this season. Among the old timers Racing Boy has been nominated, but I am afraid the public ideal has been his best days and he is not to be forgotten. That he is of the 1932 class. It is learned that Dekko, formerly owned by Mrs. Seth, is now the property of a syndicate and with that astute jockey Mr. Peter Wei in the saddle, the pony has a sporting chance of collecting the first prize of \$750. He ran well at the annual meeting and so did Double Chance, Meteor, belonging to Capt. Smith, is another from the old brigade and he is a good starter. Among the "evergreen" bunch Guinness Time and King Cheung are the only two aspirants that will offer any opposition. My fancy, however, is Dekko.

VERY poor response has been received for the Lotterers' Stakes confined to non-winning Derby griffins and it is to be ridden by novices over a course of six furlongs. The contest could not draw more than a handful of entries and it is more than likely that all will accept. The starters and jockeys are as follows:
Avon Mr. G. Trevelton
Blue Diamond Mr. C. F. D. Coulson
Jennifer Mr. A. F. D. Coulson
Peaceful View Mr. K. I. P.
The Tiger Mr. Ho Hong-ping
Much was expected of Jennifer at the Spring meeting, but the chestnut flapper was under a cloud after running a good second behind Hyndford Bridge in the Black Rock Stakes on the second day and the mare never appeared in public again. She is back on the course and was given a slow canter over six furlongs last Saturday. Her legs stood out well and I therefore like her for the Lotterers' Stakes. The real danger is Peaceful View, and Avon should all the third position in the frame.

STRANGE as it may be, there are two ex-champions in the "All out" Stakes for China ponies, six furlongs, and the entry of Bear Claw, owned by Mrs. L. Dunbar, and King's Warden, belonging to the Chairman of the Club, is hard to

beat. It will be a tame affair for I cannot see anything to beat King's Warden, and Oak Bay, the winner of this event last Spring, should finish behind these two old warriors.
MRS. Eu Tong-sen's Chiltern has always done well in training, but when it came to real racing business, he has not lived up to the reputation of a racer. He is quite a young pony and that may account for his failure at the annual meeting. I will once again nominate Chiltern for the Randwick Plate over a mile, the event being for non-winning Australian ponies of this season. Lady Northcote's Devonian to be ridden by Mr. Black should secure second place and Rising Star is my tip for the third place.

THE champion sub-griffin, Marksman, and Celtic Star will not be seen in action to-morrow as the owners have wisely decided to give their chargers a few days' rest. As a result Musketeer, the winner of the Valley Stakes, holds the post of honour in the Tytam Handicap (first section) over a mile and incidentally the event is the first leg of the daily double. He is a three pound better than Orange Boven and then follows Portrush. It is not easy to follow up the handicapper's line of conduct and on top of this Musketeer has only two public outings, the second occasion losing to Celtic Star by a short head in the Exchange Plate, which was a fast race and distance run from the two mile post, once round and in. It may not be known that the last mile of the classic event (presented by the Bankers and Exchange Brokers of Hongkong) was covered in 2.01.5 (Hongkong) was covered in this exhilarating and it was after this exhilarating performance that a veterinary surgeon was summoned to see Musketeer. However, the "lay off" was not of a serious nature and he is as fit as his trainer can make him. Mr. Wei had his legs over the animal last Wednesday and I certainly give him my vote to Musketeer to win the Tytam Handicap. Several placed runners have been kindly treated and the low weights may spring a surprise. Chatterbox, who was one of the favourites for the Valley Stakes, is a nicely weighted and Starlet, the holder of the biggest dividend, has not been given much lead. The latter is worth \$5 each way for a long shot. Kut Cheung, Millesay, Phoenix, Tiny Tim and



Soccer players from H.M.S. Tamar, winners of the China Fleet Football League, Division II, during the 1938-39 season in Hongkong. Officers of the ship are seated in the middle row.—Photo by A. Hing.

LEN HARVEY REGAINS BRITISH EMPIRE TITLE: GAINS RETIRES

Blackburn Rovers Beat Luton

London, Mar. 16.
Two matches in the Second Division of the English Football League were played to-day, the results being as follows:
Norwich 1 Newcastle 0
Blackburn 2 Luton 0
—Reuter.

Wild Bear are dangerous to upset the applicant.

I HAVE not been able to ascertain whether Rose Elect will accept the Hongkong Handicap (first section) over the champion course, but should the Derby winner refuse, the handicapper has framed an alternative allotment of weights. Desert Chief would then be carrying the limit of 168 lbs. against Bear Claw who has been given 148 lbs. and King's Warden has to carry 153 lbs. But the latter two may start in the All Out Stakes and in the circumstance Desert Chief will have an easy passage in the Hongkong Handicap.

IN the second leg of the daily double which is the Tytam Handicap (second section) over a mile, we have a long list of subscription griffins from whom to find the winner. By virtue of his win in the Newcomers' Plate at Fanning last Sunday, Tiger Eyes has incurred a penalty of 7 lbs. and the King's Warden has to carry 153 lbs. But the latter two may start in the All Out Stakes and in the circumstance Desert Chief will have an easy passage in the Hongkong Handicap.

THE inclusion of Gladitor and the Jobber in the second section of the Hongkong Handicap over the champion course has set a fascinating problem. I have not seen Jobber lately, but he ran a good fourth behind Wild Life, Rob Roy and New Star in the Chater Cup over 1½ miles and on that running Jobber should be well up at the finish. Although Gladitor is looking extremely well, I am inclined to believe he is still short of a gallop. Boole has been asked to give 7 lbs. to Tampa Bay and the former can concede without any trouble. Rose Jane has been allotted only 144 lbs. and as the jockey, Mr. C. Encarnacao cannot get down to the weight, the mare's chance does not look very rosy.

THE wonderful comeback of Snowy River at the Annual Carnival has not been lost on the official handicapper who has ranked the mare as the best Australian pony in the Moonie Ponds Handicap for non-winners over a mile. Snowy River is a small animal measuring 14.1 and as the mare has been allotted 152 lbs., this means that she has to carry a penalty of 13 lbs. It is pretty tough for her to concede poucentage to Double Finesse who is in the pink of condition. The former will not be ridden by Mr. Wei who has been booked to pilot Double

UNINTERESTING FIGHT AT HARRINGAY ARENA

London, Mar. 16.
At the Harringay Arena to-night in a disappointing fight which was interspersed with impatient hand-clapping and whistling, a crowd of 8,000 saw Len Harvey winning nearly every round of his fight with Larry Gains, thus regaining the British Empire heavyweight championship which he lost to Jack Petersen in 1934.
The 37-year-old Canadian negro, who was badly battered, retired at the end of the 13th round with two badly-cut eyes. Only the referee's untiring effort made the men break and prevented a fiasco.

There was too much clinching and wrestling. Always, however, the fight appeared to be a battle of wits between two veteran masters of ringcraft. This was undoubtedly responsible for the slow tempo; only occasional flashes of action were seen.

HARVEY CONFIDENT

Harvey, boxing confidently, landed almost as he pleased with stinging right swings and repeatedly jabbed his left in Gains' face.
Gains was cumbersome and slow and was unable to counter Harvey's attack, but must be credited with the success of slowing down the fight, frustrating Harvey's efforts to tire him out.
The Cornishman was generally the aggressor and scored with vicious right hooks. He opened a cut under

Gains' left eye in the eighth round, and further damaged the eye with a vicious right swing in the 11th. Gains' right eye was injured in the 12th and 13th. Harvey, with relentless punching, drew blood from Gains' eye and nose, and the negro wisely retired at the end of the 13th round.

GAINS HEAVIER

Harvey turned the scales at 13 st. 21bs. at the weighing-in this afternoon. This was his heaviest fighting weight in his whole career. Gains weighed 14 st. 5lbs.
Both men looked extremely fit but there was a sharp contrast in their demeanour. Harvey was smiling and confident, while Gains was deadly serious.

Harvey was a 3/1 on favourite.—Reuter.

DON BRADMAN MISSES 1,000 RUNS

Sydney, Mar. 1.
For the first time in 10 full seasons of first-class cricket in Australia, Don Bradman has failed to complete 1,000 runs for the season. Bradman had only seven innings, and this fact had something to do with the phenomenon.

Rain and Victoria's new off-spin bowler, Frank Thorn, combined to deprive Don Bradman of the opportunity of reaching 1,000 runs in the match in Adelaide when it was washed out.

The fact is surprising, in view of Bradman's remarkable run of success in earlier matches, which consisted of the Melbourne Cricket Club's century match and the interstate fixture.

Up to the commencement of the match against Victoria in Adelaide, Bradman's scores this season were:

118, 143, 225, 107, 180, and 135 not out. Thus, with only this match remaining, he required 80 runs, 153.10 average.

Only once before had Bradman failed to reach 1,000 runs in first-class cricket in an Australian season. That was in 1927-8, when he first played for New South Wales. He appeared in only five of the six Sheffield Shield matches, and his aggregate was 410.

Bradman did not play in the 1934-5 season; but in all his other nine seasons he has topped 1,000 runs. His highest total was 1,690 runs—a record for an Australian first-class season—in 1928-9.

Bradman has this satisfaction—his average of 153.16 this season is his best in Australia.—Reuter.

TOURISTS IN MANILA

Manila, Mar. 16.
The Singapore Chinese footballers arrived here to-day, and are scheduled to leave for Hongkong on the President Coolidge early April, after the series of matches arranged in Manila. They commence to-morrow night against the "All Manila No. 2" team.—United Press.

Bowls Meeting This Evening

The annual general meeting of the Hongkong Lawn Bowls Association will be held this evening in the Board-room of the South China Morning Post Ltd. at 5.30 p.m.

Peace To Be Theme Of Sweep Drawing

Dublin, Mar. 16.
While Europe resounds with the tramp of marching troops and the nations are feverishly adding to their armaments, the Irish Hospitals Sweepstake setting for the Grand National draw stresses the futility of this international madness, and blazons forth a message of peace and goodwill among the peoples of the world.

This morning for the first time in the history of the Sweepstakes, the customary procession of pageants wended its way into the city from the Irish Hospitals' Trust's newly-erected headquarters at Ballsbridge some three miles distant, overlooking the shores of beautiful Dublin Bay.

The great steel boxes of counter-falls and encircling Police guard were accompanied by famous bands and the pageant cars were designed to carry out the peace theme of the Mansion House setting.

Mixing process began in Mansion House to-day under the supervision of Government-appointed auditors and will continue to-morrow and Saturday, the draw itself taking place on Monday and Tuesday next.

Among the thousands of visitors who streamed into the building to-day to see the great pneumatic mixing machines at work, attended by 250 girls in picturesque attire representing heralds and ambassadors of peace, was Lord Mayor of Cork who was cordially welcomed by Lord Mayor of Dublin.

As usual, the prize fund, the amount of which will not be made known until the morning of the draw, will be divided into as many units of £100,000 each as the total sum permits and these will be sub-divided so that drawers of the first horse in the race to be run on March 24 will receive £30,000, second horse £15,000 and third £10,000 each.

In addition there will be 50 residual prizes and many cash prizes of £100 each.

Drawers of horses which are not in the first three as well as non-runners will receive £500 each.—International Press Bureau.

Budge Beat Vines By 22 To 17

Montreal.
Donald Budge beat Ellsworth Vines 6/2, 6/2, 6/3, in the final match of the professional lawn tennis tour and won the series by 22 matches to 17.

Fate Of Ranelagh Polo Grounds

London.
The famous Ranelagh polo, sporting and social grounds beside the Thames ceases as a separate entity

Champion Nearly Drops Set TENNIS TIES AT H.K.C.C.

(By "Abu")

The Tsui brothers, who now occupy the top positions in local tennis with as much distinction as the Rumjahn have done in the past, were both seen in action in the singles of the Colony Tennis Championship at the Hongkong Cricket Club yesterday afternoon.

While Tsui Yun-pui won with consummate ease in the first round, with Wan Tze-sam, the elder Tsui, who holds the singles title, nearly dropped a set in his game with Chua Chi-keung, a former champion of Canton.

The champion won the first set easily enough, but this was due not so much to his own brilliance as to the many mistakes made by his opponent. Chan took a long time to settle down, and before he found his touch in the second set he was prone to over-hit. This, coupled with his inability to get his first service in, was mainly responsible for his loss of the first set without taking a game.

However, he improved to a great extent in the second set and was better able to maintain the rallies, some of which were very good indeed. He got in some forceful drives on the forehand and followed up with crisp volleys at the net. Though he was passed on several occasions, he was not discouraged. From a deficit of 2-4 in this set, he pulled up with such determination that he actually led 5-4 and had set point once. But he missed his opportunity, and the champion, fighting back relentlessly and cutting down his mistakes to a minimum, finally won the set and the match in the twelfth game.

Nevertheless it was typical of Chan's play in the later stages that he saved four match points before succumbing.

WEARS OUT OPPONENT

Another interesting match played yesterday was that between Szeto Black and J. W. Leonard. The tie went to three sets before the latter, because of his better, lasting power, won.

Usually a hard-hitter, Szeto embarked on a new plan of campaign for this match: he put Leonard at his own game. In the first set, it seemed that Szeto's policy would pay in the end, for he won the first set with the loss of only one game. He played his shots extremely well.

Results Of Matches Played Yesterday

The following were the results of matches played yesterday:

OPEN SINGLES

Tsui Wai-pui (holder) beat Chan Chi-keung 6-0, 7-5.
Tsui Yun-pui beat Wan Tze-sam 6-1, 6-1.
I. M. A. Razack beat O. Rumjahn 6-3, 6-3.
J. W. Leonard beat B. Szeto 1-6, 6-2, 6-3.
Chan Kam-moon beat Tsui Ping-fan 6-3, 6-4.

and made Leonard run around the court with drives to the side-lines, interspersed with drop shots which sent his opponent scurrying up to the net.

But thereafter he was not nearly so good. He lost his accuracy of placements and on a few occasions had recourse to hard-hitting, which was countered with phlegmatic steadiness.

Better players than Szeto have had a taste of Leonard's tenacity in the championships in the past. He was not the first to be worn down by deceptively slow returns which could not be put away without risk of losing the point.

Gradually Leonard gained the ascendancy and won the first set after eight games. The third set was but a repetition of the second; both players were striving to eliminate mistakes and there were many long rallies with little brilliant play.

TO-DAY'S PROGRAMME

The following are the matches down for decision to-day:

Open Singles

S. A. Rumjahn v. N. L. Evans

Open Doubles

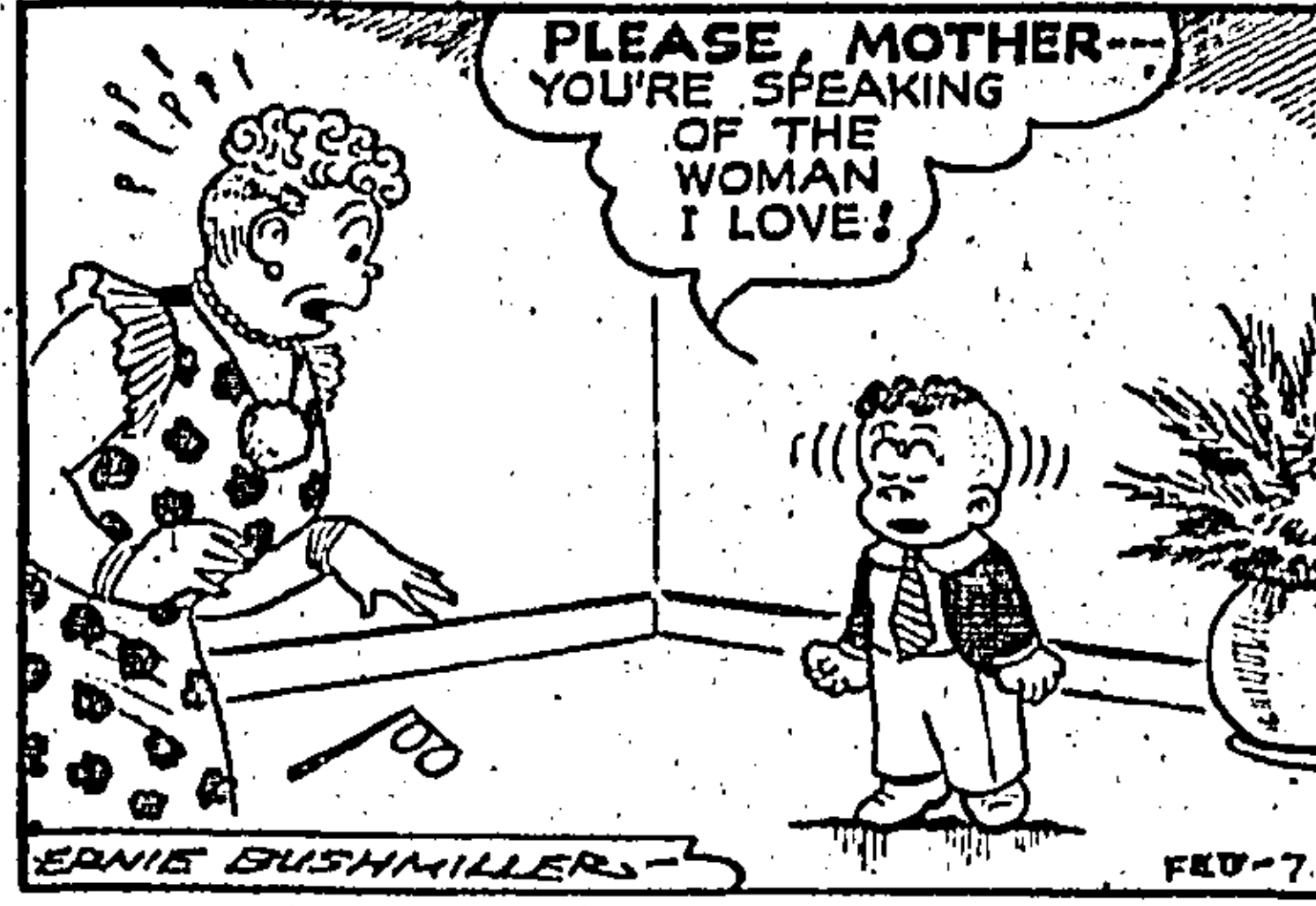
Major F. C. Nottingham and Capt. R. R. Lecky v. Li. D. C. Mura and Li. B. M. Aitch.

from May 1, and will be taken over by Hurlingham Club as polo headquarters.—Reuter.

NANCY



By Ernie Bushmiller



AUSTRALIA CONFIDENT OF SUCCESS IN DAVIS CUP COMPETITION

Norman Brookes Thinks America Will Be Beaten

With a Davis Cup team composing of John Bromwich, Adrian Quist and Jack Crawford, Australia, as last year, are likely to be America's challengers at Philadelphia in September, says A. Wallis Myers in the *Daily Telegraph*.

The Australian President, Mr. Norman Brookes, with characteristic boldness, is reported to have said that the odds in favour of a Commonwealth victory are 3 to 1. This, of course, is far too sanguine an estimate. It is not even 3 to 1 that Australia will survive the eliminating contest.

Japan, added by Jiro Yamagishi, looked the fact that in the last may spoil the Australians' chances. Last year, Bromwich and Quist had a narrow escape at Montreal. The Australians are under no delusions about the calibre of Yamagishi.

The Americans have selected a new ground for the Challenge round. The Merion courts at Haverford, which is a sylvan outpost of Philadelphia, do not possess the traditions of Germantown, where many great battles for the Davis Cup have been waged, but their turf is much superior and should provoke none of the heartburnings over false bounds which both teams experienced last year.

Moreover, since neither Philadelphia ground has permanent stands, it will cost no more to erect accommodation for 10,000 spectators at the new venue.

The Americans will also have to choose a new defending team, for, of course, they have lost their pivotal champion, Donald Budge. Mr. Brookes evidently thinks that his withdrawal to "another place" is almost a guarantee of victory for the Australian invaders. Has he over-

Golf

Starting Times Announced

| Old Course | |
|------------|------------------------------------|
| 2.00 | A. L. Landabert, H. J. K. Walker. |
| 2.04 | D. J. Clark, D. W. Hume. |
| 2.08 | J. M. Pearson, T. F. H. Waters. |
| 2.12 | B. Cassidy, W. M. Darlow. |
| 2.16 | D'Arcy Weatherill, S. H. Dodwell. |
| New Course | |
| 9.10 | J. M. Pearson, W. E. James. |
| 9.20 | H. L. Williamson, W. Woodward. |
| 9.24 | E. L. Groom, F. A. M. Elliott. |
| 9.28 | S. Morrison, I. H. Genere. |
| 9.32 | W. N. A. Smalley, R. J. Shrigley. |
| 9.36 | P. T. Tamworth, E. T. McMullen. |
| 9.40 | R. H. Cramer, G. C. Worrall. |
| 9.44 | R. H. Gregory, R. K. Valentine. |
| 9.48 | A. N. & Q. A. A. Macfadyen. |
| 9.52 | A. Redmond, D. J. Valentine. |
| 9.56 | F. C. Brown, L. Jackson. |
| 10.00 | A. E. Lisaman, D. J. Gilmore. |
| 10.04 | A. M. Mack, C. Riddell-Carre. |
| 10.08 | E. Pearce, D. A. Weatherill. |
| 10.12 | A. B. Purves, J. Forbes. |
| 10.16 | M. Bryden, F. S. Geldart. |
| 10.20 | F. Laidlaw, W. Mayhew. |
| 10.24 | O. Eager, D. S. Edward. |
| 10.28 | Col. Collins, Major Johnstone. |
| 10.32 | H. D. Evans, D. D. Forbes. |
| 10.36 | K. Littlejohn, W. W. C. Shewan. |
| 10.40 | F. Linaker, H. J. D. Lowe. |
| 10.44 | D. H. Humphreys, H. H. Mundy. |
| 10.48 | F. D. Hunter, T. Low. |
| 10.52 | W. Hewitt, A. Sommerfeld. |
| 10.56 | D. L. Prophet, W. J. St. Key. |
| New Course | |
| 9.24 | L. M. S. Lloyd, J. T. Lay. |
| 9.28 | J. F. Robinson, J. G. Cotterworth. |
| 9.32 | Mrs. Smalley, Mrs. Shrigley. |
| 9.36 | H. C. & Mrs. Elliott. |
| 9.40 | W. & Mrs. Sharp. |
| 9.44 | Col. & Mrs. Matthews. |
| 9.48 | W. & Mrs. Bell. |
| 9.52 | Mrs. Dalnes, Mrs. Edward. |
| 9.56 | V. H. & Mrs. Gordon. |

tions for the defending doubles team. Even Rudge and Mako were not invulnerable. At the present time America have no pair of outstanding calibre, but in W. R. Sabin they have a really great doubles player, and it will be to the advantage of Australia if he is not added to the Davis Cup squad.

As the European zone with its 20 competing nations, the draw suggests that Yugoslavia, who have a compact team, will be one of the finalists. For the other place there are three likely candidates—Germany, France and Great Britain.



Katharine Hepburn brings her talents to the King's Theatre to-morrow in Columbia's "Holiday," in which she co-stars with Cary Grant. This is said to be one of the finest films of the year.

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action with the progress revealed in the estimates speech.

The Admiralty had taken measures for the development of the country's naval power which would have been excellent in ordinary circumstances. His criticism was that the National Government's foreign policy had led Britain into the position in which the navy had to face a series of strategic facts and strategic dangers which it ought never to have had to face, and which might mean that even with the enormous expenditure which the House was being asked to approve, its strength might not be sufficient to give the country the naval security so vital to it.

YANGTSE FLOTILLA

Winding up the debate on the Estimates, Lt. Col. J. J. Llewellyn, Assistant Secretary to the Admiralty, replied "to points raised by Mr. Alexander regarding the naval position in the Far East."

"It is not really true to say that we have been turned out of the Yangtse," he declared.

"We all realise that there are difficulties there, but of 14 gunboats, usually on the river only six are back in Shanghai. It is quite normal to have a number in Shanghai for re-fitting purposes, and eight gunboats are still up-river."

"As there have been some criticisms regarding the Rear Admiral there, I want to make it clear that we are quite satisfied that those naval officers and men in the ships on the Yangtse—men who are having a most difficult time—are fully carrying out their tasks, as you would expect of officers and men of the Royal Navy."

Mr. Alexander said that he had not criticised the officers, but had criticised the policy under which they had to work.

Mr. Alexander referred to the statement by the Japanese Minister for the Navy regarding the re-opening of the Yangtse.

"That is a matter for the Foreign Office," Lt. Col. Llewellyn replied. "We still have our gunboats on the Yangtse and they have done very good work."—*Reuter and British Wireless.*

St. Andrew's Hockey Team Chosen

The following will represent St. Andrew's in the Brawn Cup Match against the Hongkong Ladies on the C.B.A. Ground at 2 p.m. to-morrow: H. O'Sullivan, J. Chow and J. Broadbridge, P. Jeffreys, Y. Ho and M. Vessouana, S. Arnold, V. Jex, M. Churn, S. Roberts and T. Jex.

Netherlands Orders American Planes

Washington, Mar. 16. The Netherlands Military Commission has placed orders with the United States for 18 Douglas bombers in connection with the strengthening of the defences of Netherlands India.

The Commission, headed by Vice-Admiral Van Dulm, is leaving for Holland to-morrow.—*Reuter.*

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| May 16.14/13 | 16.25b/27a |
| Sept. 16.17/17 | 16.24/25 |
| To-day Sales—2,440 tons. | |
| The last Notice day for March Rubber is March 29. | |
| Chicago Wheat | |
| May 07 1/2/07 1/2 | 07 1/2/07 1/2 |
| July 07 1/2/07 1/2 | 08 1/2/08 1/2 |
| Sept. 08 1/2/08 1/2 | 08 1/2/08 1/2 |
| Wednesday's Sales—9,740,000 bushels. | |
| Chicago Corn | |
| May 47 1/2/47 1/2 | 47 1/2/47 1/2 |
| July 48 1/2/48 1/2 | 48 1/2/48 1/2 |
| Sept. 50 1/2/50 1/2 | 49 1/2/49 1/2 |
| Winnipeg Wheat | |
| May 80 1/2/80 1/2 | 80 1/2/80 1/2 |
| July 80 1/2/80 1/2 | 80 1/2/80 1/2 |
| Sept. 80 1/2/80 1/2 | 80 1/2/80 1/2 |

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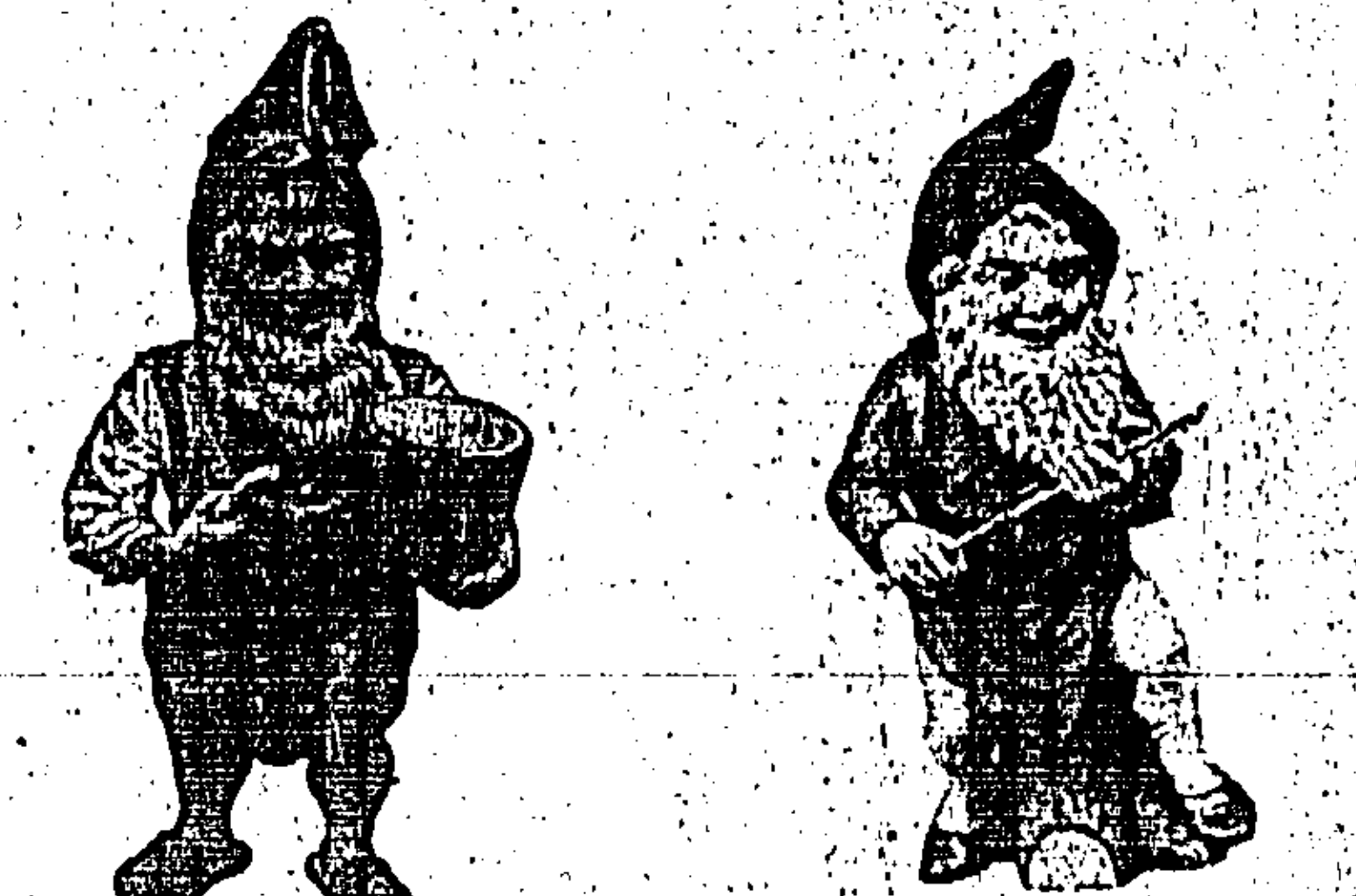
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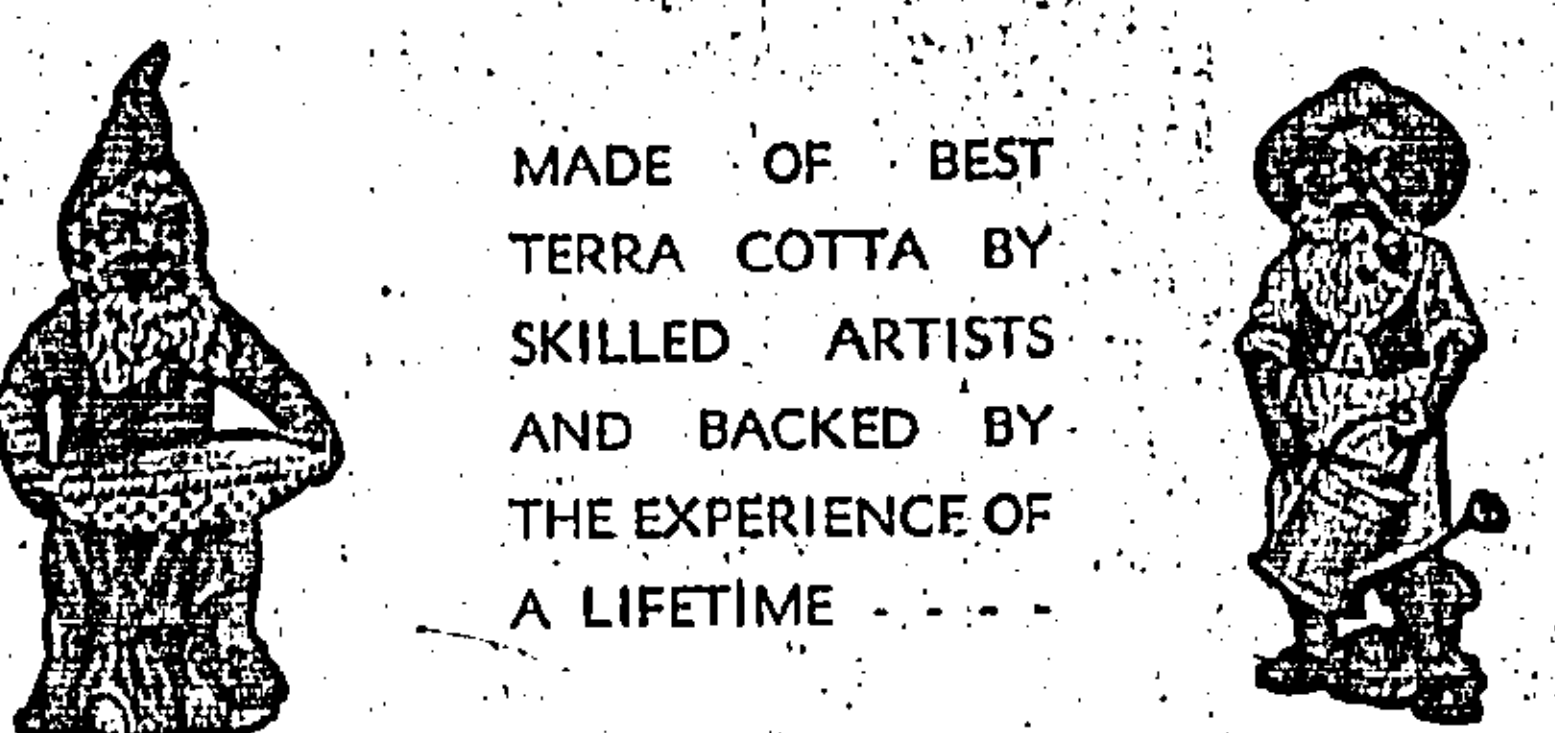
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Nowadays cod liver oil becomes a condiment of cookery rather than an item in the medicine chest

DOCTORS frequently prescribe cod liver oil in winter for a quick feed-up after illness. This is largely because it is so rich in Vitamin D—the "sunshine Vitamin."

For practical purposes this Vitamin is present largely in liver, egg yolk, oily fish, and fish oils. Here we can regard herrings and tinned salmon as useful items on the menu.

For many reasons cod and halibut liver oils present the simplest and most convenient solution, particularly with children, but planning is one thing and application another, and the old time "spooning" is nauseating to many.

Cook, Turns Doctor

Nowadays cod liver oil becomes an item of diet and a condiment of cookery, rather than provender of the medicine chest. For different dishes there are high potency oils that, prepared by brisk processing, have little or no odour. These are applied by drop instead of spoonful, so

they play their part without noticeably proclaiming themselves.

The safest way to camouflage cod liver oil is to use it in fish based dishes. Here are a few recipes that recently got by an unsuspecting family:

Vinaigrette

Hors d'œuvres and certain vegetables for adults can be dressed with the following:

One tablespoon of vinegar or strained lemon juice, 1½ tablespoon of olive oil, ½ tablespoon of cod liver oil, salt, mustard, pepper and caster sugar to taste.

Blend the salt, pepper and mustard with the sugar in a basin. Stir in the oils, then beat in the vinegar or lemon juice, and use immediately. Herring and potato salad, green salads, cooked sprouts or sliced tomatoes take up this dressing well, to accompany fishy items on the hors d'œuvres dish.

For Fish Cutlets

Fortunately, Vitamin D is not destroyed by heat, so there are

If They Can't Take It

BY ANN MARVEL

various ways open in cookery. For instance, a Panada base for fish cutlets.

Take 1oz. of butter or vitaminised margarine, 1oz. of flour, 1 gill of milk or fish stock, and make a roux with fat and flour, honeycombing for a time in the usual way. Add liquid and cook the sauce, then add the flaked fish (such as lobster or crab), ten drops of high potency oil and a measure of anchovy or chosen flavouring.

Form up on a plate to set and make into cutlets and coat for frying in the ordinary way. If liked, serve an oil-dressed sauce as accompaniment.

Mock Mayonnaise

A mock mayonnaise for coating fish salads, made from a base of ½-pint of white coating sauce, with one dessertspoon of

dry mustard, added to the flour is soon converted after boiling by the following items—one dessertspoon cod liver oil, one tablespoon vinegar and a small measure of sugar. A tablespoon of evaporated milk or cream is an improvement.

Use this for blending and coating well seasoned bagher-lined and becapared fish mixtures. Garnish if you like with green salad previously dressed in the special vinaigrette.

An egg salad with sardine or anchovy accompaniment is equally successful, or a Russian salad including anchovies offers excellent value.

Fish Sauce

The following is an excellent recipe for fish sauce.

"Put into a small pan 1 table-spoon of cod liver oil, ½ oz. of flour, salt, pepper and a little anchovy essence. Heat slightly the oil, stir till boiling."

Planned to accompany boiled, steamed, or baked fish, it is reckoned that one table-spoonful offers from forty to two hundred units of Vitamin D, according to the potency of the oil used. Restaurant servings are reckoned at one table-spoonful, though probably home helpings would approximate to more.

Once on the way, it is an easy transition from salads and sauces to other forms of fish cookery. Mayonnaise, built up from three parts of salad oil to one of cod liver oil seasoned and flavour-masked with Worcester sauce is a rich but effective medium, while fish oil added to baked or coating batters, soups, pasty fillings or savouries can be equally successful.

How Do You Wash?

Do you know that very few women use their toilet soap correctly? There would be a great many clearer skins about it women took as much care and pride in "laundering" their faces and necks as they do with their clothes.

The washing of the face and neck should be as serious and careful an affair as that of the finest linen. The casual way in which some women dab a little water and soap on the skin, and the still more casual way in which they profess to wash this off, directly makes for harsh and muddy skins.

No complexion can be kept well without both creams and soap. Pay respect to both. You know, of course, that only a bad painter will repaint some woodwork without first religiously scraping off the old coat. Take this lesson to heart and keep your skin clean under your make-up. And here is now to do that.

First of all, choose a reliable make of soap. This should not be difficult, for there are many such on the market. Soap-making is a fine art today, directed by men well versed in chemistry.

Making the Skin Silky

Don't scamp the washing. Allow sufficient time for the operation. It is as important as massage. The first thing to do is to grease the skin a little. This helps to make the skin silky. If, however, your skin is very greasy, you do not need this greasing. Use olive oil for the greasing. Rub a little well in all over your face and neck, then wipe it all off with tissues. Now you are ready for actual washing.

Ann Morne

CLEANING HINTS

MARKS made on the pile of carpets by heavy furniture may be raised by holding the spout of steam-ironing kettle over them.

Never wet lacquer trays. Polish with sour milk and olive oil, and the surface will come up like new.

To clean rush mats or cocon matting, wash vigorously with a cloth dampened with salted water. This method not only cleans the matting, but it helps to prolong their wear.

A. W.

A Sink Table

A SIMPLE way of preparing vegetables quickly and cleanly is to have a small table with holes in it, which slips into the sink. All that is needed is a wooden slab about half an inch thick screwed or nailed on to four short legs. The top should have several holes drilled into it. This allows the water to drain off.

The vegetables are prepared over the sink table, with running water cleansing them, while the hands are kept dry by the use of a cloth. The peelings can easily and quickly be gathered from the table top and disposed of.

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Crossword Puzzle

By LARS MORRIS

ANSWERS TO PREVIOUS PUZZLES

1-Transaction

2-Pump

3-Urning out

4-Steel holder

5-Enraged

6-Line

7-Width of "A"

8-Not obvious

9-Smooth

10-Heavily

11-Dramatic

12-Less

13-Concurrence

14-Lies

15-Parent

16-Hearty moody

17-Grip (across)

18-Come up

19-Willow

20-Edward

21-Servant poet

22-Whitish

23-Drop

24-Command for silence

25-Hunting bird

26-Chinaman

27-Heavy tin opening

28-Chinese mile

29-Good

30-Phonetic

31-Mural, cube

32-Initiate

33-Quip

34-Hypothetical force

35-Drive, garden

36-Use ending to you

37-Clue

38-Whistle

39-Drive into

40-Feet into

41-Conference

42-That thing

43-Parasite

44-Terminal

45-Ship in favor

46-Closet

47-Kind of capital

48-Aquatic mammal

49-Fish (French term)

50-Providing

51-Dinner

52-Diverted thrust

53-Price

54-Merit

55-Schemes

56-Persecute

57-Blame with adverb

58-Look out ahead!

59-Daily three-sevenths

60-Propose

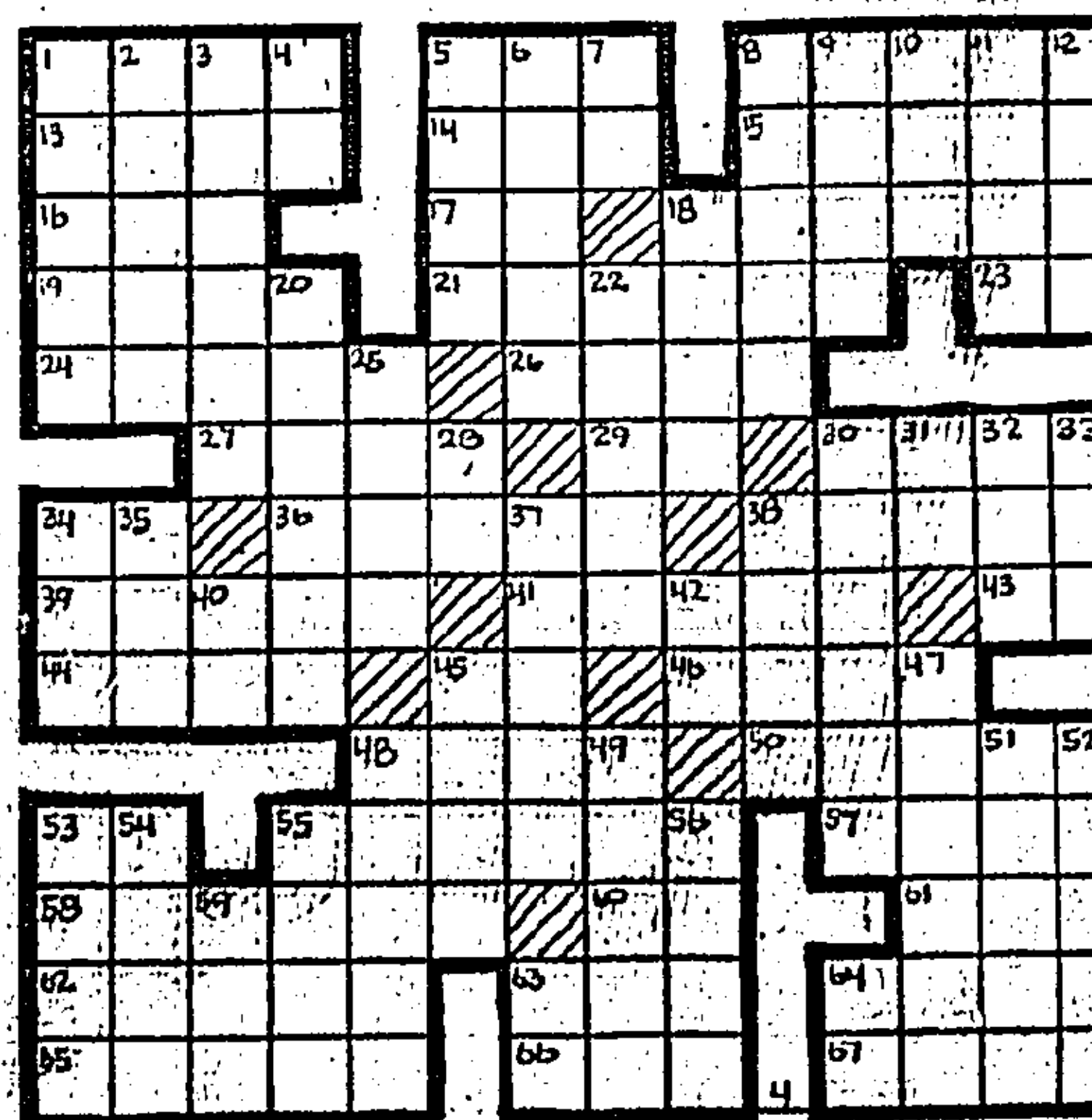
61-The (French)

DOWN

1-Heavy sword

2-Existing

3-Tradition



HOME HINTS

To clean and slightly stiffen a silk umbrella cover, first pour a pint of boiling water over a small dessert-spoonful of sugar. When well dissolved, wring out a soft cloth or piece of black silk, dip it in the solution and wipe the cover firmly until satisfied with the result.

To reduce the steam in the bathroom, run in a little cold water and then fix a length of rubber tubing to the hot water tap, so that the other end trails under the water. The steam from the hot water will then be condensed immediately it enters the cold.

When ten cloths are inclined to leave places of fluff on china and glass, wash them thoroughly before giving them a final rinse through thin starch.

If difficulty is experienced in re-knitting wool, wind it round an aluminium hot water bottle and fill it with almost boiling water. Leave for several hours until cool when the wool again be quite straight and ready for use.

G. G. T.

POTATO PASTRY

FOR a change, try covering your pie or savoury patties with potato pastry. It is a good way of using up any surplus potatoes left from a previous meal.

Rub 2 oz. margarine into 4 oz. flour. Add half a teaspoon baking powder and a little salt. Then mix in 8 oz. mashed potatoes, and bind to a stiff paste with beaten egg or a little milk. Roll out to ½ inch thick.

This can be used for covering a mince and egg pie. For this you require 1 lb. cooked mince and two hard-boiled eggs. Place mince in pie-dish, cover with sliced eggs.

Place potato pastry carefully over mince. Brush with beaten egg and bake in a moderate oven till nicely browned, 20-30 minutes.

A tasty supper dish can be made by rolling out the potato pastry into an oblong. Cut into squares, place a sausage (par-boiled) in centre. Wet round edges and press the edges of pastry well together.

Open them up with the back of a knife and cut three slits on top with a pair of scissors. Brush over with beaten egg and bake in hot oven 20 minutes.

Note—Instead of baking the sausage rolls, egg and crumb them, and fry in deep fat. Hard-boiled eggs and tomatoes can also be coated with potato pastry and fried.

Isobel

ST. ANDREW'S MEMBER

Mrs. R. Baldwin Departs For England

Regrettably farewelled by adherents of St. Andrew's Church, Kowloon, Mrs. Rupert Baldwin, with her two young children, left the Colony for England by the steamer India yesterday afternoon.

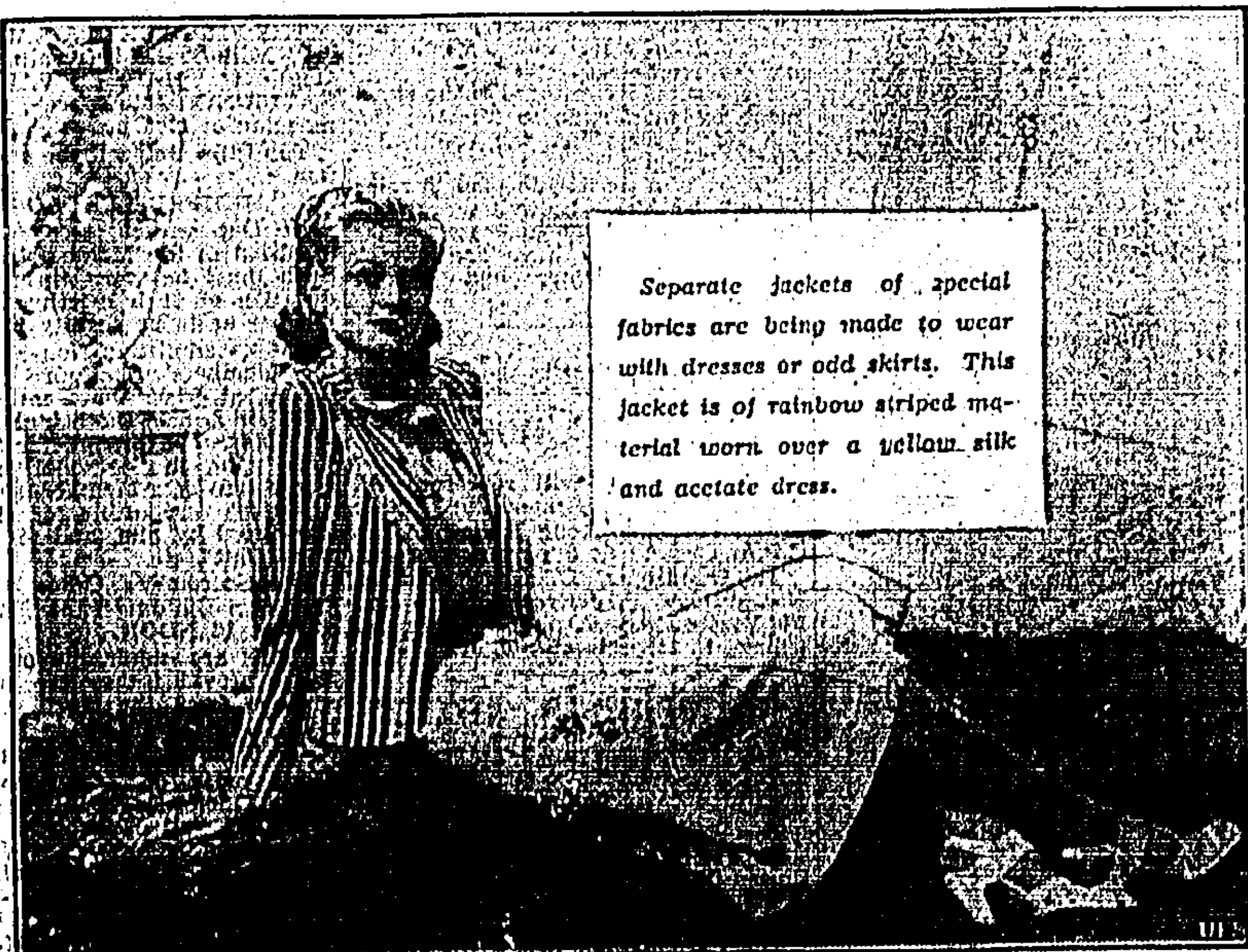
Mrs. Baldwin, whose husband is organist at St. Andrew's Church and a member of the staff of Ying Wah College, Mongkok, was a Colony resident for about 12 years. She was closely associated with the work of the church in its many branches.

Many presentations were made to Mrs. Baldwin before her departure. The last was an informal one, when the Rev. J. R. Higgs, Rector of St. Andrew's, handed her the club's parting gift, at the same time conveying the best wishes of the club members and of the church's congregation.

LEAVING TO DAY

Mr. Richard Shim, Supervisor of Asia Life Insurance, and Manager of the Underwriters' Savings Bank, Hongkong branch, is leaving to-day on the Empress of Japan with his wife and family on six months' tour to Honolulu and the United States.

Mr. Shim will leave three of his children in Hongkong for their education. During the past year Mr. Shim has travelled extensively through Java, Singapore, Sumatra and the Malay States.



Shown here is a version of the classic two-piece suit, combining check jacket with plain skirt. Note the length of the jacket, the fitted waistline and the four pockets placed at an extreme slant. Also, the lady's colorful dress necktie. The skirt is pleated in front.

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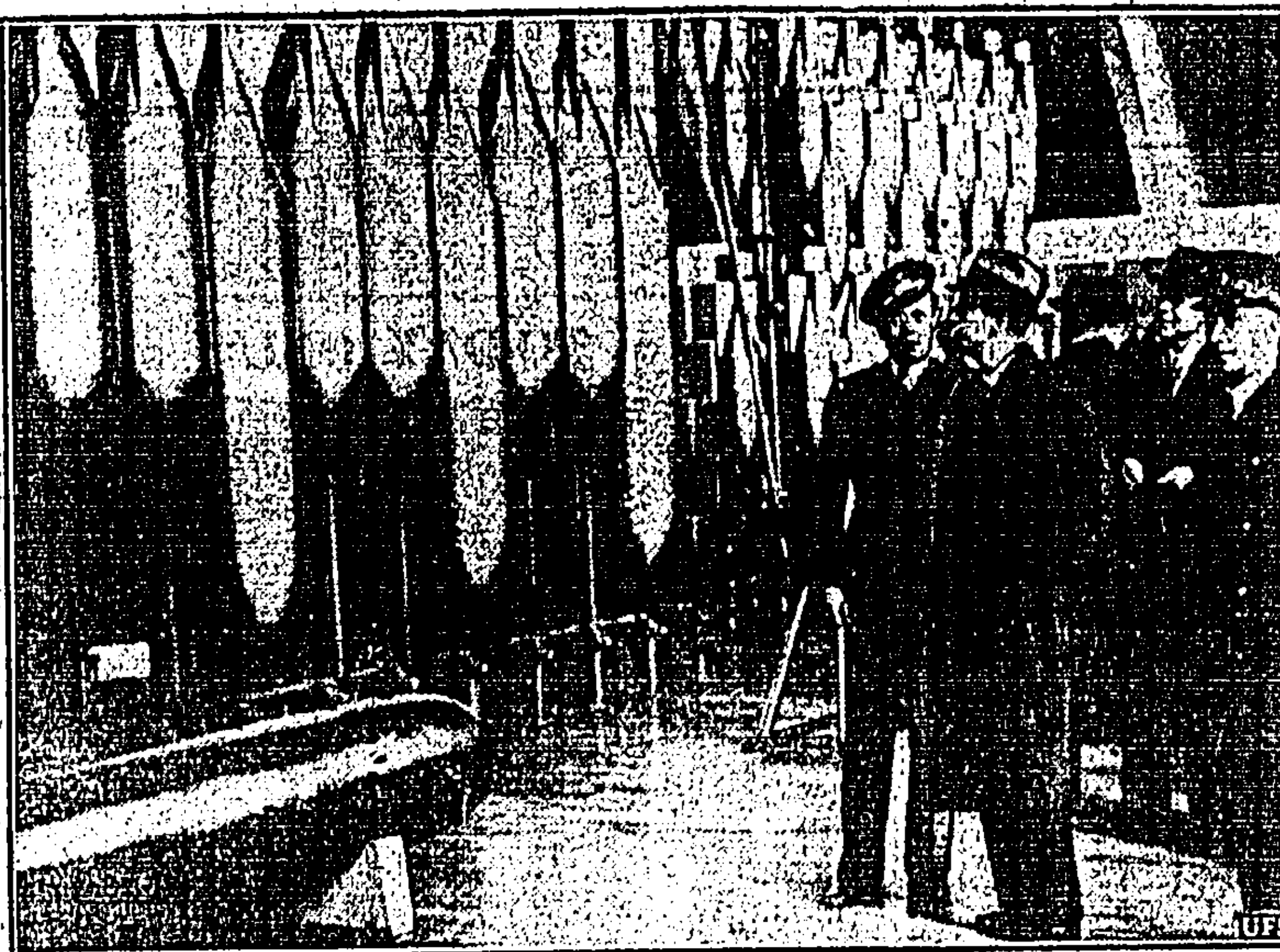
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PHOTONEWS



MR. M. F. KEY, O.B.E. and his "D' Ole Boy" as they appeared at the Y.M.C.A. last night. Mr. Key is seated in the centre (with epaulet).—Staff Photographer.



This German soldier was photographed taking part in winter manoeuvres of the German army in the Bavarian Alps, near the town of Garmisch-Partenkirchen where the Olympic Games were held.



General Eliseo Alvarez Arenas, named by General Franco to take personal charge of Barcelona, former Loyalist capital, after the city was captured by Insurgents.

Roosevelt To Press For Guam Base

Washington, Mar. 16.
Senator Walsh, chairman of the Senate Naval Affairs Committee, indicated after a conference at the White House to-day, that President Roosevelt intends to press for the construction of a "harbour development" at Guam at a cost of \$5,000,000, despite the one set-back from Congress which rejected the Guam item in the original appropriations.

Senator Walsh said that the President had not objected to the limitation of the Guam project from the current naval air base Bill, but he would probably recommend its inclusion in a later Bill authorizing expenditures for the development of various rivers and harbours.

Italian Note To China

Protest At Killing Of Missionary

CHUNGKING, Mar. 16.

THE ITALIAN EMBASSY has presented a note to the Chinese Government protesting strongly in connection with the reported assassination of the Italian Charge d'Affaires, Signor Cocchi di Kwolsen, on the Kutchu River in Shanai. Father Cocchi was assassinated by Chinese soldiers while celebrating

Australia Trebles Its Air Force

Colombo, Mar. 16.
Details of the extensive developments of the Australian air force were given by Air Vice-Marshal William, Chief of Staff of the Australian Air Force, while visiting here to-day.

He said that the Australian air force has been trebled in the last three years. When the expansion was completed, Australia would have 10 squadrons, two flying schools, and two armament centres. He thought that manufacture of aircraft in the Commonwealth would probably start shortly.

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LATE NEWS

RUMANIA CAN'T HELP

Bucharest, Mar. 17. Following an emergency Cabinet session the Rumanian Government has decided to reject the proposal for incorporation of Ruthenia into Rumania which was made by French Voloun and other leaders of the Rumanian Government who fled into Rumania yesterday.

Italy Welcomes Annexation

Rome, Mar. 16. The German annexation of Bohemia is welcomed by the Italian Press.

Slovakia Under Reich "Protection"

Bratislava, Mar. 16. Premier Tiso has sent the following telegram to Herr Hitler: "With the greatest confidence in the Fuehrer of the great German nation, the State of Slovakia places itself under your protection. We trust you will grant this appeal."

Anxiety In Switzerland

Berne, Mar. 16. Switzerland is anxiously following the German coup in Central Europe. The fact that Germany is now not taking account of the right of little nations to self-determination and the breaking of Hitler's September promises is commented upon with uneasiness in the Press.

Consternation In Poland

Warsaw, Mar. 16. The news that Hitler has taken Slovakia under the protection of the Reich has caused something approaching consternation in Poland.

"Rigid Protest" By Japan

Japan has presented a "rigid protest" to Russia against a flight into Japanese territory on Saghalien of a Russian military plane.

Shamrock Is Distributed Irishmen Gather At The Cenotaph

Irishfolk who gathered at the Cenotaph this morning to pay homage on St. Patrick's Day to Ireland's war dead were given sprigs of shamrock, plucked by the roots in traditional style from the garden of Mr. C. G. Perdue, President of St. Patrick's Society.

Mr. Perdue brought the seeds from Ireland some years ago and tends the plants carefully to supply decorations for each St. Patrick's Day.

A wreath of magnolia leaves in the form of an Irish harp, with gold string, was laid on the Cenotaph steps by Mr. Perdue, supported by members of the Committee of St. Patrick's Society.

A.R.P. LECTURES

Modified Full Course Air Raid Precaution lectures will commence to-day at 11 a.m. at the Hongkong Volunteer Defence Corps Headquarters, Garden Road.

U.S. Oil Interests In Mexico

Mexico City, Mar. 16. A very hopeful official statement was issued to-day concerning the discussions between President Cardenas and Mr. Richberg, the latter representing foreign oil interests in negotiations regarding the expropriation of foreign oil concessions in Mexico.

Quintin Roosevelt For Hongkong

Yokohama, Mar. 16. Mr. Quintin Roosevelt, 19-year-old grandson of the late Mr. Theodore Roosevelt, former President of the United States, arrived here this morning aboard the a.s. Empress of Asia en route to China.

RIDES "THE RODS"

William J. Blondino has an Australian shepherd dog which he has trained to "ride the rods". Whenever Blondino decides, not always by necessity but often by choice, to take a ride on a freight train, the dog leaps onto his pucksack and sticks there regardless of whether his master is "riding the rod" or clinging to brakes or mounting the "grab irons."

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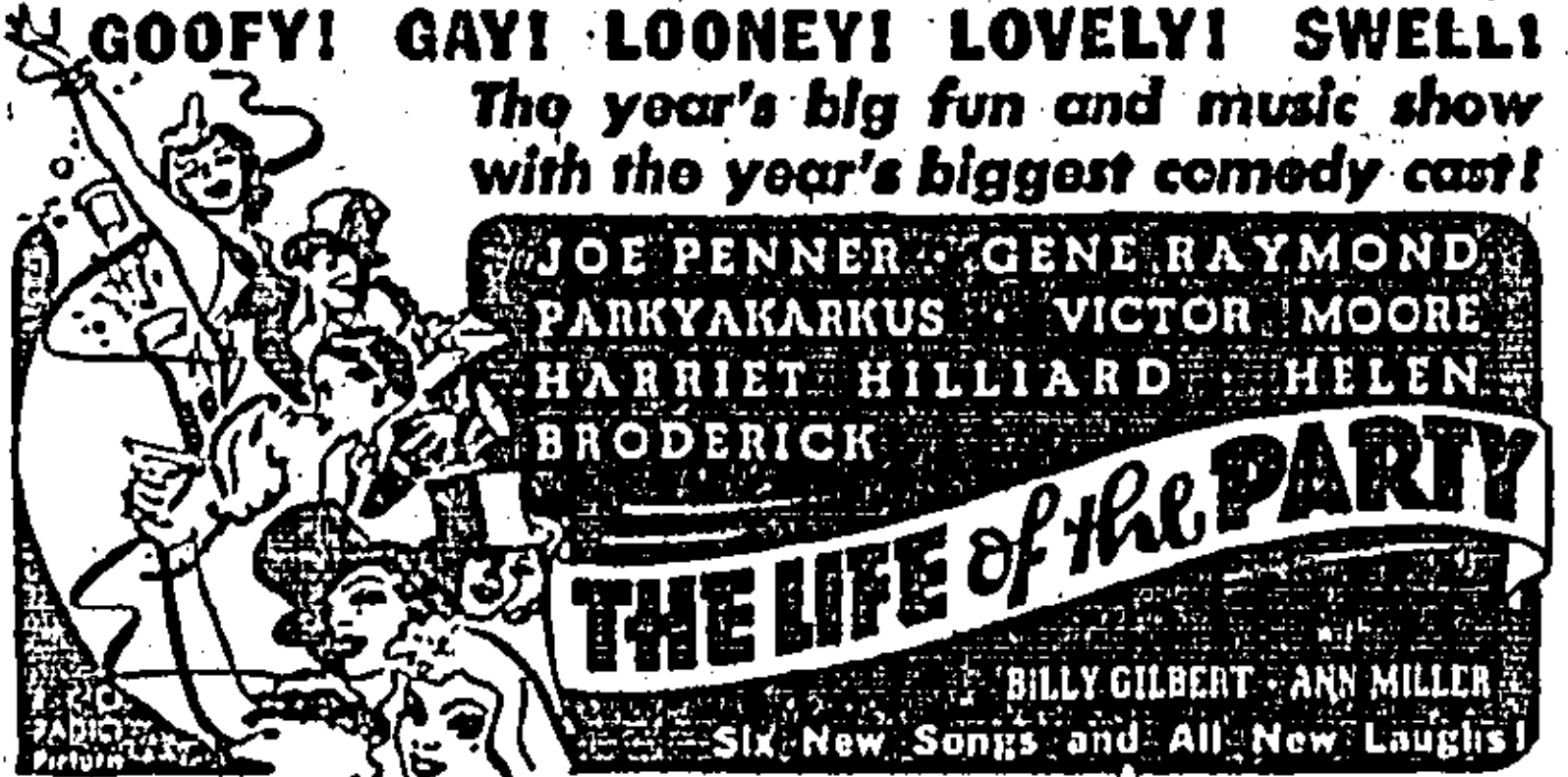
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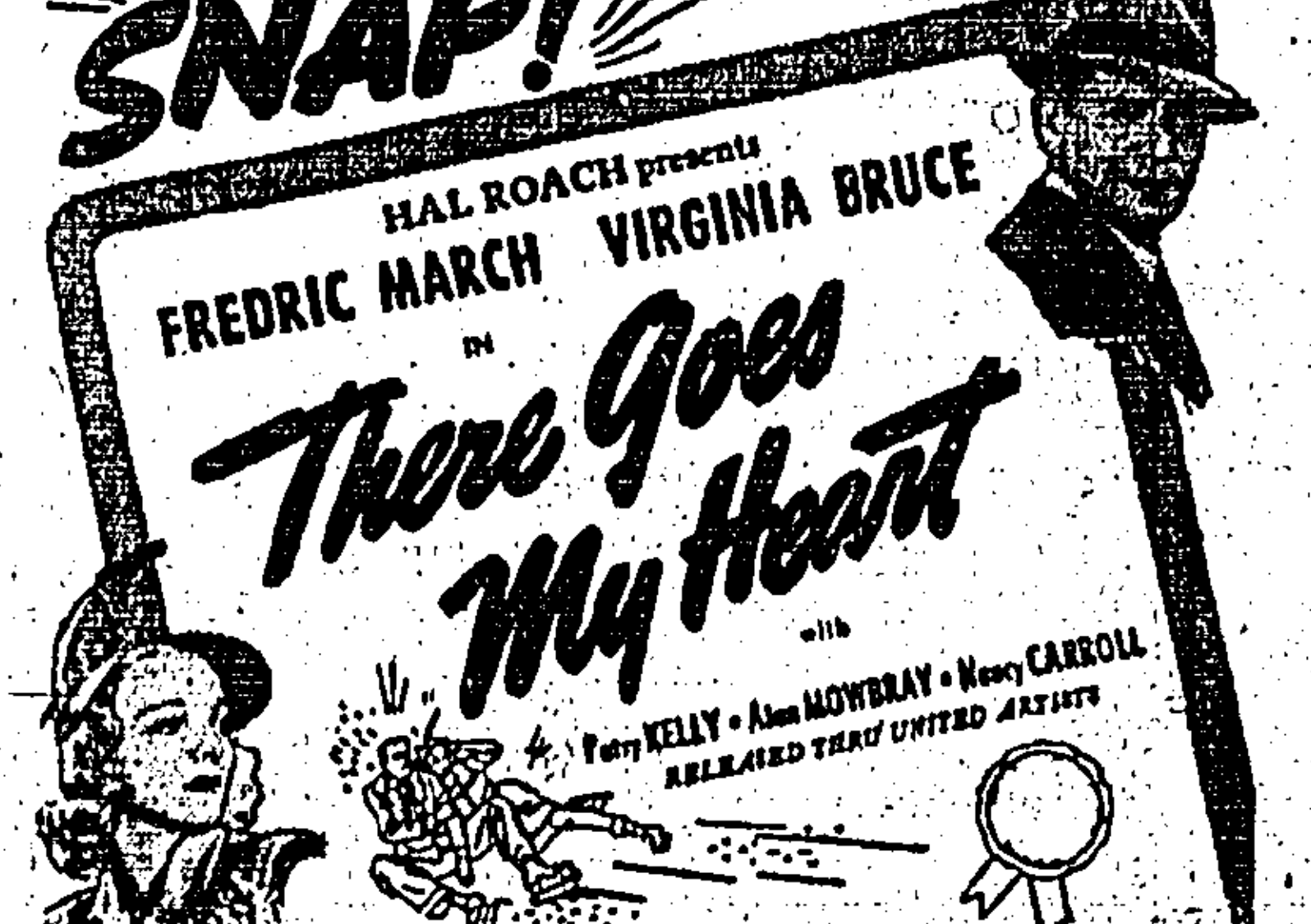
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